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Mr. Coolidge's New England Conscience

The Hon. Calvin Coolidge, whose name will next year be added to the list of forgotten Presidents of the United States, has been, during his views on international issues. Since very few of the qualified leaders of public opinion in that country place a high valuation on Mr. Coolidge's intellectual powers there is no need to take his utterances very seriously, and it is to be hoped that the British public generally will follow Lord Birkenhead's lead in refusing to do so. But it is quite obvious from certain comments in the European press that in spite of the experience of the past decade many foreigners are still unaware that when the President of the United States speaks on international questions he speaks as a more or less irresponsible person devoid of power to pledge his country to any course. That is particularly true when the Chief Executive is, like Mr. Coolidge a President in virtual retirement, merely keeping the seat warm until the accession of his successor, a few months hence.

Mr. Coolidge seems to be the possessor in a marked degree of a certain type of "New England conscience". That type of conscience so far as we have been able to observe its operations impels a man to exact the last cent he thinks he can obtain from somebody else, and if it hinted that he is grasping or merciless, to impeach the moral rectitude of the other fellow. The relentless money lender is usually a highly moral person much given to lecturing others. The career of Mr. Coolidge somewhat resembles that of Ko Ko in Gilbert's humorous classic "The Mikado" in that he was

Wafted by a favoring gale,
As one sometimes is in trances,
To a height that few can scale
Save by long and weary dances.

But his utterances and antics are less diverting than those of the chief official of Titipu.

First of all outside nations should understand that Mr. Coolidge's remarks were addressed not so much to outsiders as to the hundreds of eminent men, particularly the members of the "American Association Favoring Reconsideration of the War Debts", which has been endeavoring to arouse the conscience of Washington to a more generous revision of the whole problem of war debts. Lying sheets like the "Saturday Evening Post" of Philadelphia have been trying to deceive their readers into the belief that the movement is a "foreign agitation"; but as was pointed out in these columns some months ago the movement really comes from the best elements in the United States, who from the standpoint of both ethics and expediency think that their country should recognize a fuller partnership and responsibility in the task of lifting Europe out of the slough of bankruptcy. The movement is certainly not of British origin. Great Britain has stood steadily by the position taken by Rt. Hon. Stanley Baldwin, (then Chancellor of the Exchequer) at Washington on January 8th, 1923, when he said: "May I put it this way? We intend to pay".

Views of Gen. Pershing and Others

Ever since an eminent American, Mr. F. W. Peabody of Ashburnham, Massachusetts undertook the organization of the above named Association it has received steady accessions of eminent United States citizens in every field of activity, who have assembled an array of arguments so formidable that Mr. Coolidge and those men who think like him have in vexation given up the task of answering them fairly. The chief of these arguments is not merely that all the money which the United States is collecting or attempting to collect from former Allies was expended in that country at war time prices which greatly enriched its industries, but that the products were largely used in prosecuting the declared war aims of the United States at a time when although at war with Germany she was unprepared to take a share in the actual conflict. If anyone wishes to understand the criticisms which have made Mr. Coolidge uneasy let him procure from Mr. Peabody a brochure published recently by Henry Bourne Joy, the eminent Detroit manufacturer and capitalist "War Debts; An Argument for Fair Re-Adjustment".

The United States declared war early in 1917, but did not figure seriously as a belligerent for fourteen months. For that period the burden of maintaining the battle against the Central Empires whose anxieties on the Eastern front were relieved by the collapse of Russia, was borne by the British Empire, France and Italy, at an enormous cost in life and the potentialities of future existence. In answer to President Coolidge we need quote only a few of his own countrymen.

Gen. John Pershing, Commander-in-Chief of U.S. Armies in France says: "It seems to me that there is some middle ground where we should bear a certain part of the expense in maintaining the Allied Armies on the front while we were preparing".

Another eminent U. S. soldier, Gen. John F. O'Ryan, says: "Almost all of the senior officers of the Army feel that we have a narrow viewpoint of the foreign debt. We entered the war in partnership with Britain and France against a common enemy, and we were expected to play a man's role. We weren't ready! Fourteen months elapsed before we took over a section of the line and in the meantime our third of that line was held by British and French. They did the dying! When it comes to writing out the arithmetic of the money we lent American officers are a little ashamed. They aren't thinking about cancellations, but you can't compute the money value of French and British boys that died defending our section of the line".

Mr. Thomas W. Lamont, the eminent New York banker who had much to do with the loans in question, says: "One thing is certain, if someone on April 4th, 1917 had been able to give us our choice as to whether we should



CLASSIC LANDSCAPE BY HUBERT ROBERT (1733-1808)

This painting, recently announced for sale in Berlin, is likely to be the subject of international litigation. It is a feature of a large quantity of loot stolen from the palaces of Russian noblemen by the Bolsheviks. Prince Cotromantz is heading a group of his countrymen who are seeking an injunction to prevent the sale of these works. Hubert Robert, the painter of the above work, was a native of Paris, educated in Rome, who became head of the Classic School in France of the 18th century. In this picture he attempted to show a temple once devoted to sacred uses fallen to low estate. Note the peasant woman hanging up washing.

rather give up freely and for all time five billion dollars in money or give up the lives of several hundred thousand of our sons, there would have been no hesitation as to our choice. Fate, however, determined that choice. It determined that Great Britain and France should give up the lives during that first year".

Hon. Newton D. Baker, who was United States Secretary of War during the period of United States participation as a belligerent, should know better than anyone else the unwritten understandings in connection with his country's participation, and in reviewing the situation he has said: "If the foregoing observations are sound, the United States is not justified either in morals or in a long view of its own best industrial and commercial interests in adhering to its present policy with regard to the settlement of inter-Allied debts. The time has come when these questions, including the British settlement ought to be reopened. Personally I believe that a cancellation policy will be wise".

These citations which could be very widely multiplied are presented in order that the suggestions of revision and cancellation which annoy President Coolidge so much, come from some of the best minds among his own people, and from men who have a much fuller knowledge of the issues involved than he.

Mythical European Menace

The narrow and censorious contention that nations on the other side of the Atlantic do not deserve any consideration because their behavior is not up to Mr. Coolidge's standards cannot fail to cause exasperation abroad. He points out the fact that nations are in the aggregate spending more on armaments than before the war. This circumstance, he neglects to mention, is in some measure due to the fact that his predecessor, President Wilson forced on the negotiators at Versailles, treaty clauses which called in being a large number of new nations, and changed many historic boundaries. Having by its influence as a creditor of the leading powers brought new nationalities into autonomous being, the United States by the action of its Senate at once proceeded to leave them flat. But it cannot be argued with any pretence of decency that the United States is wholly without responsibility for the difficulties which have helped to pile up armaments in Europe. Most hypocritical of all is the President's pretence that either he or his Govern-

ment was seriously endeavoring to promote disarmament in the Geneva Conference which proved abortive last year. The aim obviously was to get an excuse for building a fleet of large battleship cruisers with 10-inch guns and pull the wool over the eyes of the millions of peace-loving Americans that the United States is "menaced" by Europe. In so twisting the fact as to create the impression that the United States is "menaced" by the debtor nations, President Coolidge is trying to make the world believe that large battle cruisers are necessary for the defence of United States trade. Some of the "big navy" advocates whose tool Mr. Coolidge has been from the outset, are a little more outspoken than he. One fire-eating admiral told the public last year that such a navy was necessary in order to "force" United States surplus products on reluctant nations. Other advocates of this policy hardly take the trouble to conceal their view that the British West Indies must be acquired by force if necessary, because they "menace" United States interests in the Panama region. Fortunately the United States Congress has so far refused to be deceived, and has scrapped the major part of the programme; and undoubtedly the day when Mr. Coolidge's views signify anything serious in the direction of public policy is now past.

U. S. Daily Flexible Tariff

In a recent editorial the Sault Ste. Marie "Star" calls attention to the operation of what it terms the "daily flexible tariff" of the United States, which at will can be instantly adjusted to meet any undesired invasion of its markets by a Canadian business firm. Its article is inspired by no spirit of unfriendliness toward Americans. "The Sault 'Star,'" it says, "is a frank admirer of the American, and believes that he has more business ability, more common sense and more neighborliness than any other nationality on earth. But he sure does look after himself as a sensible man should." In the latter connection, it is pointed out that the U. S. Tariff Commission has developed its work to such a point that it frames decisions to meet any complaints that arise by actually sending its officers into Canadian factories to dig out any facts which may have a bearing on the threatened prosperity of an objecting American industry.

"The difference between Canada and the United States in regard to the tariff," says the Sault "Star", "is that an

American industry which is suffering from Canadian competition can have the situation amended speedily and automatically. In Canada it is necessary to keep up a fight for years to have the slightest change made." The Sault editor points out two instances of the working of the daily flexible tariff which have come within his personal knowledge. A Toronto firm shipped \$50,000 worth of white-wear to Detroit. A quick protest from a firm interested resulted in the tariff being changed over night to put a stop to such importations. Four years ago a shipment of cast iron went from Sault Ste. Marie to Chicago and the same thing happened. An investigation would, no doubt, show innumerable instances where Canadian attempts to invade U. S. markets were effectively squelched by similarly swift action.

Sault Ste. Marie is naturally interested in steel products and it is pointed out that during the first six months of this year \$157,000,000 worth of such products were imported into Canada from the United States, representing in itself an enormous total of wages that might have gone to Canadian labor irrespective of other economic losses to this. It is quite clear that if Canada paid a tithe of the heed that the United States does to the protection of her own industries many centres would be a great deal more populous and prosperous than they are even in the present optimistic situation.

A Record in Electoral Registration

The registration of voters upon the provincial electoral lists for the city of Montreal, which is taking place throughout the month of November, seems likely to break all previous records. Fifteen constituencies are involved in this registration, and, in each of them, voters are showing remarkable eagerness to get on the lists. This is true, for once, of the English-speaking divisions of the city which have not always enjoyed a very high reputation for general zeal in taking the essential preparatory steps to the discharge of the function of the complete citizen. As usual, Jewish citizens are showing themselves keenest of the keen to get on the electoral lists, the registration in the St. Louis and St. Lawrence divisions, where they form so important a numerical factor, being so heavy that it is anticipated that by the end of the month it will have attained dimensions not far short of 100 per cent.

Women, also, are showing a certain amount of determination to get on the lists. This cannot be said to be anything like general, but, where it exists, the determination is of a very determined character. However, as women do not possess the franchise in Quebec, the clerks in the registration offices are unmoved either by cajoleries or by argument of a resentful sort. When a lady is persistent beyond all reasonable limits, the polite clerk then calls on her to swear that she is "of the male sex," as it is only males who are permitted to register. So far, one has heard of no case of perjury of this rather novel kind!

Of course there are special reasons, this year, for this marked and widespread anxiety to get on the register. It may be that a wider civic sense is manifesting itself in Montreal—though that is a contention which close observers of civic affairs are unlikely to accept altogether without reserve. But there is more to it than that. The fact is that it is quite on the cards that the next provincial general election will take place before the month of April, 1931, and, if it does, it will be fought on the electoral lists that are now being compiled. Beyond that—and of even more importance, seemingly, in the eyes of those who are so eager to get their names on them—the lists in question will serve as the basis for the city list at the next Federal general election.

France's New Consul General

M. Edouard Carteron, formerly French Consul at Basle, will succeed Baron de Vtrollas as Consul General for France in Canada, being expected to arrive in Montreal at the end of November. M. Carteron, who is an officer of the Legion of Honor, has a distinguished war record. A lawyer by profession, he entered the French consular service in 1909. In 1912, he was consul suppleant at Cairo. He assisted M. Briand, as chief secretary, in many important diplomatic conferences at Cannes, London and Washington. On his way back from the last-named conference, he visited Canada in company with General Viviani, who will be remembered as Premier of France when war broke out in 1914. M. Carteron therefore does not come to us as a stranger.

Ontario's Judicial Changes

The death of Mr. Justice William Nassau Ferguson, for a considerable period a member of the 1st Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of Ontario, has been recognized everywhere as a grave loss to the Bench, as well as the removal of a man very widely regarded for his fine qualities of heart and mind. While still in private practice in Toronto, Justice Ferguson had impressed the legal profession with his luminosity of intellect and his candid straightforward way of penetrating to the core of any question. When elevated to the Bench he took his seat among jurists, many of whom were his seniors in years and experience, old enough to be his father, so to speak. But the soundness and clarity of his decisions soon won him a distinguished place among them. In private life his judicial eminence did not rest ponderously on him, and to the end he remained to his old friends, "Pat", the nickname he had acquired in his student days. By a happy coincidence he found himself on the same Bench with Chief Justice Sir William Mulock with whom he first read law as a student and though in those days they were on opposing sides of politics a deep affection existed between the older and the younger man. To the Premier of Ontario, Justice Ferguson's death has been like the loss of a brother. Though there was no blood relationship despite a similarity of surname, they had for forty years or more been closer to each other than is sometimes the case with relatives.

The death of Justice Ferguson has brought about some judicial changes which will meet with general approval.

The promotion of Mr. Justice Fisher from the Trial division to the Appellate Division is recognition of a jurist who, in matters of commercial law especially has won an enviable name for himself. Justice Middleton who also figures in the changes is known as one of the most learned and sympathetic figures in the Canadian judiciary. The new appointee to the Trial Division, Nicol Jeffrey, K.C. of Guelph, is one of the best selections that has been made in any province by the present Minister of Justice. For years Mr. Jeffrey has been known as one of the most cultured, able and amiable gentlemen at the bar of Ontario, and the historic community of Guelph while rejoicing in the distinction that has come to him, will feel a deep loss in his departure to a different sphere.

Unsignly Signboard Advertising

There appears to have been some misunderstanding with reference to a recent address delivered by Mr. L. R. Greene of Hamilton before the Association of Canadian Advertisers on the subject of signboard advertising. In the reports in the daily press Mr. Greene's words were interpreted as an omnibus condemnation of the bill-board, especially on the leading rural highways, and an editorial on the subject, which appeared in the Toronto "Globe," was reprinted in the columns of SATURDAY NIGHT. The published reports occasioned some surprise among those interested in this form of publicity because Mr. Greene is himself vice-president of Tuckett's, Limited, of Hamilton, an extensive user of signboard publicity, or "Outdoor Advertising," as it is now called among experts.

A stenographic report of Mr. Greene's speech shows that he did not reflect on outdoor advertising as a medium, and did not say a word against either painted displays or posters. What he was condemning was unsightly hot-dog stands covered with ugly tin signs which now mar a good many beautiful vistas on the highways of Ontario. He might have added that the highway authorities have a very strong suspicion that these stands with their signs are in many instances erected as a means of evading such regulations for the control of outdoor advertising as now exist.

The subject has already been taken up with the daily press by the vice-president of the Association of Canadian Advertisers, Mr. G. L. Spry, publicity manager of the Huron & Erie Mortgage Corporation, London, Ont., who points out that the A. C. A. is in no sense opposed to posters and painted signboards. He intimates that such publicity is less an offence against public taste than the unsightly conglomerations of type which appear in the daily press in connection with "rupture cures" and other forms of advertising which it is not necessary to name.

While it is important that the misunderstandings which have arisen should be clarified, a reasonable attitude on the part of the promoters and users of outdoor advertising in assisting in the regulation of what may easily become an abuse, will do much toward reconciling a disturbed situation.

Conservatives Will Pass Up Joliette

The Mackenzie King Government having opened the county of Joliette, Que., by the appointment of Mr. J. J. Denis, M.P., to the Superior Court bench, there had been some idea that the Conservatives would put a candidate in the field, and, in this connection, the name of Hon. Rodolphe Montz, Secretary of State in the first of Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen's administrations, had been freely mentioned. Nomination day has been set for the 10th December and Mr. C. E. Ferland has been chosen as the Liberal nominee. But the Conservative party has now decided, at a convention, held on the 16th November, at which all sections of the party were represented, not to contest the by-election.

This decision was reached by a vote of 49 delegates to 25. Hon. H. B. Bennett had previously made it clear that, whatever the decision of the meeting, whether for a fight or not, he would stand behind it. It appears to be the case that the main reason animating the delegates in deciding against a fight, was the expectation that the Federal general elections will be held within a year. Hon. André Fauteux stated, with a good show of reason, after the vote had been taken, that he favored the decision made on the ground that, in twelve months' time, the Conservative party will be in a better position to comprehend and, if necessary, criticize, the attitude of the Liberals towards the questions that the election of Mr. Hoover, judging from his recent declarations as to further increasing the United States' tariff wall against Canada, will most likely bring within the range of very practical politics in this country.

Mr. Fauteux was able, from his inside knowledge of the way in which the work of organization is proceeding in the Province of Quebec, to assure the convention that, within twelve months, the Conservatives will have an organization equal to the needs of the Province. It is certainly the case that the organizing work is making headway, and apparently there is a better spirit manifesting itself among the Conservatives of Quebec than has been in evidence for many a long day.



IRVING E. ROBERTSON
Recently appointed Editor-in-Chief of the Toronto Evening Telegram in succession to the late John R. Robinson. Mr. Robertson is the only surviving son of the founder of that newspaper, John Ross Robertson, and was educated at the University of Toronto and at Oxford University. He has long been an associate editor of the Telegram and is one of the most gifted writers on the Canadian press.



MARNE MEMORIAL TO THE "OLD CONTEMPTIBLES"
The memorial which the Imperial War Graves Commission have erected at La-Ferte-sous-Jouarre, was unveiled by Lieut-General Sir William Pulteney on Nov. 4. It commemorates the operations of the British Expeditionary Force in August, September, and the early part of October, 1914, and records the names of officers and men (3,888) who fell in those operations and whose graves are not known. The memorial is on the south bank of the Marne.

Presidential Vote in Retrospect

Analysis Shows Seven to Five Preference for Hoover

By JOHN A. STEVENSON

Canadian Correspondent of the London Times.

THE triumph of Mr. Hoover and the Republican party on November 6th was not an unexpected outcome of our neighbors' quadrennial political saturnalia. Before polling day realists at the Democratic quarters were, while continuing to publish optimistic forecasts of certain majority for Smith were quietly confiding to trusted friends that they would be well satisfied if he secured 200 votes in the electoral college. His acquisition of only 87, the smallest number secured by a Democratic candidate in the last half century, was naturally a keen disappointment but the figures of the vote show that on this occasion the electoral college is a very unreliable index of popular sentiment for under a system of proportional representation Smith would have been entitled to at least 220 votes. Full returns are not yet available but they indicate that Hoover polled roughly 21 million votes and Smith fifteen, which is a ratio of 7 to 5. But a majority of six million votes is decisive enough and no one can cavil at the validity of Mr. Hoover's title to the Presidency. He has also to his credit the unexpected feat of making the first successful Republican inroad since the Civil War into the Democratic preserve known as the "Solid South" by the capture of the electoral votes of Virginia, North Carolina, Florida and Texas.

But the victorious Mr. Hoover was not the central figure of the election. That honor belongs to Al Smith, who was as gallant and attractive a candidate as ever wooed an electorate and in the end the election turned in an amazing degree upon his personality. Millions of people simply voted for or against "Al" Smith and took nothing else into consideration. Few candidates for the Presidency have made such an honest and courageous campaign and he emerges in a defeat with a warm and permanent place in the hearts of the American people. He acted upon the theory that in a democratic society it is the duty of candidates for high office to offer the voters a frank unequivocal declaration of principles and a concrete program of policies. And he operated on the assumption that an intelligent political campaign should largely take the form of a debate between the exponents of contrasting policies and programmes. On prohibition, water power, farm relief and other dominant issues he made his own position crystal-clear at the risk of offending influential elements of his own party and repelling potential allies but he signally failed to evoke any response to his lead from his opponents. Mr. Hoover did not venture upon more than half a dozen full-dress orations during the whole campaign and on most important questions his pronouncements were nebulous and indefinite, leaving room for varying interpretations to suit different localities and also loopholes for subsequent escape from any apparent pledges. He was content to assume a passive and defensive role throughout the campaign and based his main plea for support on the ground that his election alone could ensure a continuance of the abounding prosperity which the Republican party claims to be an inevitable concomitant of its rule at Washington.

Indeed, Mr. Hoover throughout the election was little more than a political robot and the real campaigning on the Republican side was done—and very effectively done—by Mr. Charles E. Hughes and Senator Borah, aided by some lesser lights. The limelight, therefore, played continuously upon Governor Smith and he took the opportunity to give free play to his remarkable gifts of popular appeal. The imagination of the country had been stirred by the idea of this child of the East-side slums who had by sheer ability and personality thrust himself up from a humble environment to the highest offices in the land and, wherever his oratorical pilgrimage took him, he attracted a furore of popular enthusiasm such as William Jennings Bryan in the heyday of his prestige could not achieve. But just as Laurier found in the election of 1917 that the cheers of our own West did not mean its votes, so "Al" Smith discovered on polling day that the popular acclaim, which had greeted him in places like Philadelphia, Baltimore and Newark, had not been translated into votes.

PROLIFIC debate upon the causes of Smith's defeat has been raging. When the registration of voters assumed record-breaking proportions, shrewd political observers declared that the increment came largely from women voters who were determined to safeguard the prohibition laws and vote against "Al" as their sworn enemy, and the prediction seems to have been correct. A large preponderance of the feminine vote went against Smith and there seems to have been thousands of cases where the men of a family voted for Smith and their women

folk supported Hoover. The cohorts of the Anti-Saloon League were also out in full cry against him and today their leaders are sounding the loud timbrel and arrogating to themselves credit for his defeat. But Smith's attitude on the liquor issue also brought him the reinforcement of thousands of Republican "wets" who were responsible for his two solitary victories in the North in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and the credit balance for this line of policy was reasonably good. It was his religion that proved the fatal liability. He was a Catholic and throughout vast areas of the United States a fierce prejudice against Rome and all her followers is almost a fundamental instinct with masses of the population, particularly with the countryfolk of a lower standard of intelligence. Nowhere is that prejudice fiercer and more deeply rooted than in the South and the so-called Border States where the Democratic party has always had its greatest strength.

Immediately after Smith's nomination at Houston there was a wholesale defection of "dry" and Protestant Democrats who proceeded to form "Hoover-Democrat" organizations and make common cause with the local Republicans. Perfidious Protestant rabble-rousers like Bishop Cannon of Virginia took the field against Smith and hundreds of what Mr. H. L. Mencken calls "the Baptist derbies of the South" were soon fanning the flames of bigotry from their pulpits. The Ku Klux Klan, which had seen its power wane rapidly as the result of a series of discreditable exposures about its leaders, took a new lease of life in many places and judicious subsidies from sources friendly to Mr. Hoover enabled its disgraceful literature to receive generous publicity. Canadian politics have known their share of discreditable political propaganda but anything ever perpetrated here paled its ineffectual fires beside the noisome of effluvia with which the country was deluged under the guise of election literature. Some of the pamphlets and broadsides, which were accumulated by the Democratic managers in a room designated "the Chamber of Horrors," were nothing short of obscene and only a little less offensive were the brazen appeals to religious bigotry. It will be everlastingly to Mr. Hoover's discredit that he made only the feeblest of efforts to check this flood of poisonous literature and oratory and as a consequence he will enter the White House with the hatred of twenty million Catholics, who will not easily be induced to forgive him or the Republican party.

THE Democratic leaders in the South labored manfully to stem the tide of religious bigotry but it was too strong to be beaten back everywhere. Some of the original bolters were brought home to the fold by the "hillbillies" of states like North Carolina and Virginia could not be converted to a tolerant view of a Catholic and the insurgent Democrats, aided by the strong Republican element which the process of industrialization had brought into the South, carried four Southern states for Hoover. It was their vote also which prevented Smith from winning a single one of the half-dozen border states. But there is general agreement that Mr. Hoover's surprising victories in these regions represents an ominous success for the forces of bigotry and intolerance and the Chicago Tribune has seen fit to warn him solemnly that, if he does not want to drive every intelligent and liberal element out of his party, he must proceed to purge it of these sinister influences which contributed so much to his triumph. How strongly religious prejudice operated against Smith can be seen in the returns from Tennessee where he was easily beaten but Senator McKellar running for re-election on the Democratic ticket comfortably held his seat. Even in his own bailiwick of New York Smith's religion was a heavy handicap for on the same Mr. Franklin Roosevelt, a Democrat, was elected Governor and Senator Copeland, a colorless figure, easily defeated a very good Republican candidate in Mr. Alanson Houghton, American Ambassador to Britain.

Hopes had also been entertained by the Democrats, especially after the veteran Senator Norris of Nebraska had deserted his party to assist them, that the spirit of revolt which had pervaded the trans-mississippi region known as the "Cornbelt," would be stimulated to produce rich political dividends for their candidates and at one stage there seemed some justification for their hopes. But here again the Republican tradition and Protestant sentiment asserted themselves before polling day and although Smith polled a much larger vote than any of his immediate Democratic predecessors he did not come within reasonable distance of carrying any single state of this northwestern group. One writer has explained the failure of the German and Scandinavian farmers of this territory to support the man who endorsed their pet panacea for their ills, the McNary-Huagen bill, in the fact that their five hundred year old grudge against Rome was stronger than their five year-old grudge against the Republican party.

Smith showed his greatest strength in the urban communities of the East where the Volstead Act is very unpopular; besides carrying Massachusetts and Rhode Island he had a good majority in great cities like New York and Cleveland but they were invariably overcome by the hostile vote of the country and small towns. However, he has

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General MacBrien's Advice

BY P. W. LUCE.

AS one might naturally expect of the director of Canada's air forces, General J. H. MacBrien is an enthusiast on the subject of flying. He has been up in the air so often that it is a bit of a mystery to him that other people should persist in looking on aerial travelling as dangerous business, or consider the airplane as a more risky vehicle than an automobile.

When General MacBrien opened the recent aviation exhibition in Montreal, the first of its kind ever held in Canada, he devoted a good deal of his speech to emphasizing the comparative safety of air travel. He himself, he said, never went by land or water when he could go by air, whether the journey was long or short, and he always felt perfectly at home in an airplane.

"If passengers would only get into their heads that the air supports the plane in just the same way that water supports a ship," he said, "there would be a great deal more comfort for those who are taking their first trip. When a vessel heels a bit to one side because of the roll of the waves the passenger does not imagine that the ship is headed straight for the bottom of the ocean, but when the plane dips into an air pocket his heart jumps into his mouth and he thinks it is all over but the inquest."

"Whenever you take a ride in an airplane leave all worries to the pilot. He'll take care of you. Adjust yourself to the varying positions of the plane and you'll be all right. If the left wing starts to dip downwards it's no use trying to put it up again by contracting your abdominal muscles. Timid passengers have been trying to work that miracle for the past fifteen years, but nobody has succeeded yet, and nobody ever will. It can't be done."

Manitoba

(By one who has never been there).

NOW Manitob' would seem to be

A judge-of-play or referee
Between the doughty C. M. A.
And the equally doughty U. F. A.
But, 'tis a grainologic fact
That she's not softened by her tact,
For always being on her guard
Is what makes "Manitoba Hard."

This province, it is said, will grow anything from poison ivy to bananas in enormous quantities. In the old days, once the wheat crop was sown, the inhabitants moved bag and baggage into Western Ontario, where they awaited the result. When the grain was ripe the only way they could get into the province was to provision a fleet of binders for a two weeks' voyage and take a swath around the outside edge. We expect some day to hear about the binders following the seed-drill after an interval of only an hour or so.

Before 1905 Manitoba was called the "postage stamp" province, but foreseeing the Great War, the British Government changed the shape of it so it couldn't be licked. It was first settled in 1812 by a group of Scots under Lord Selkirk, so if you ever decide to visit the place, be sure and leave at home that favorite gag of yours entitled, "What's the difference between a Scotchman and a pair of jazz garters?"

The fact that the per capita wealth of the province is \$2,705 will cause much innocent amazement in that sixty per cent. of the population which is so vitally interested in keeping one jump ahead of the radio installments.

Of course, no sketch on Manitoba would be complete without a word about the Flin Flon, the stock of which sold so well as to permanently silence those pessimists who said that Gentlemen Prefer Bonds.

—W. D. Stovel.



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The Modesty of Canada
Address Delivered to the Canadian Legion at
Cobourg, Ont., on Armistice Day, 1928

By COL. A. T. HUNTER

IT IS not consistent with the nature of a Canadian even
on occasions such as this to indulge in much brag.
This is not a virtue but a deficiency almost a complex.

Reviewing the ten sad years that have elapsed since
we veterans were important to anybody, since our fading
away into obscure citizens or as some of the boys would
put it since we stopped living, I admit we have been
afflicted with a modesty amounting to criminal negli-
gence.

Our collective efforts have amounted to no more than
picking up our disabled which we have slowly accom-
plished by an apologetic hat-in-hand attitude of ap-
proaching Parliament and its officials.

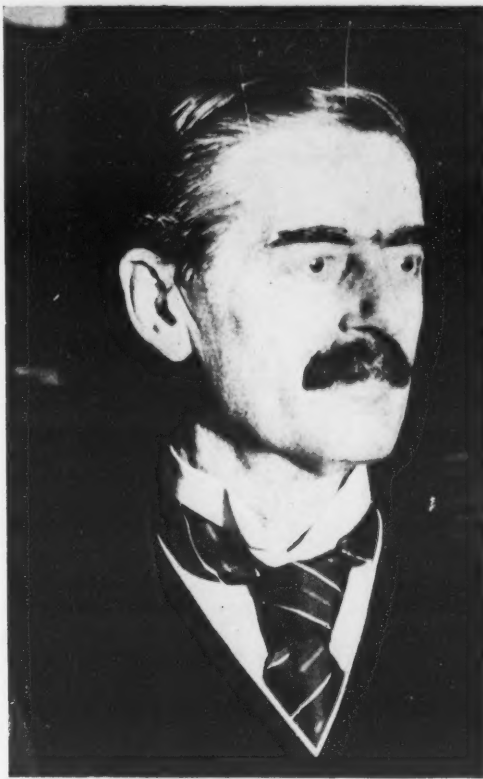
Individually we have had an immense distaste for
recounting the events where Canadian soldiers made
European History. Our line of narrative rather runs to
the door of an estaminet than to the grim bargaining
in hardware that left us the ownership of trenches.

Until very lately few attempts have been made
among ourselves to set forth the real facts of Canadian
service; and as for fiction if any Canadian writer should
attempt to invent a Canadian war-hero he would be
promptly contradicted by veterans who would check up
on the writer's mythical "Bill Jenkins" as to time, place
and unit with the unromantic accuracy of a war diary.
Until the present generation of veterans shall disappear
there are too many cold obtrusive facts for romance to
flourish.

All this is to the bad. We had too great a percent-
age of our men in line, the war came too far up our
own street, to let us do what the Americans would term
"bunking the Canadian Public".

Now the Americans, with their low percentage of
actual combatants and casualties in proportion to their
total population, are in a delicious state of Bunkabund-
ability. Already their magazine-writers have invented
for them more war-heroes than their hospitals had cases
of pyorrhea. Their senior officers too, some of them at
any rate, have started to throw a chest and exalt the
effort of America above that of any of the Allies.

Students of military history will not quarrel with
the claim that the Americans won the War. A hundred
years ago the Prussians claimed to have won the Battle
of Waterloo. In a technical sense these claims have



RT. HON. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN

Younger brother of Sir Austen Chamberlain, whose efforts
to reform the present system of local government in Great
Britain have been much discussed of late. It will be re-
called that his father, Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, first
attained celebrity as a municipal reformer.

merit. It is the last straw that breaks the camel's back
and it is the last reserve that win a battle.

As one dry old Prussian general said to the bragging
element of his day: "Yes the Prussians won the Battle
of Waterloo; the English fought it; and the French lost
it". So today we may at least say "Yes the Americans
won the Great War; the Allies fought it". Many of us
would be happy to add "And the Germans lost it", but
we are not so darn sure.

But I am not tonight objecting to the propaganda
of the United States. Her advertising methods have
done more for her in building up her population than
her tariff wall.

What I am saying is that it is shameful to us that,
having in our shop ten times finer military exploits than
the American, we continue to practise a policy of low
visibility.

No nation on earth has ever during four years of
continuous fighting entered so vigorously as did Canada
and then maintained and increased its effort to the last
day of the War. We did not enter with a Bull Run but
"saved the situation". In the last hundred days of the
war the Canadians were the best organized and hardest-
hitting Corps in Europe, the equal in quality of any mili-
tary body in History. Wellington would have given
his back teeth to command such a body and Marlbor-
ough his immortal soul.

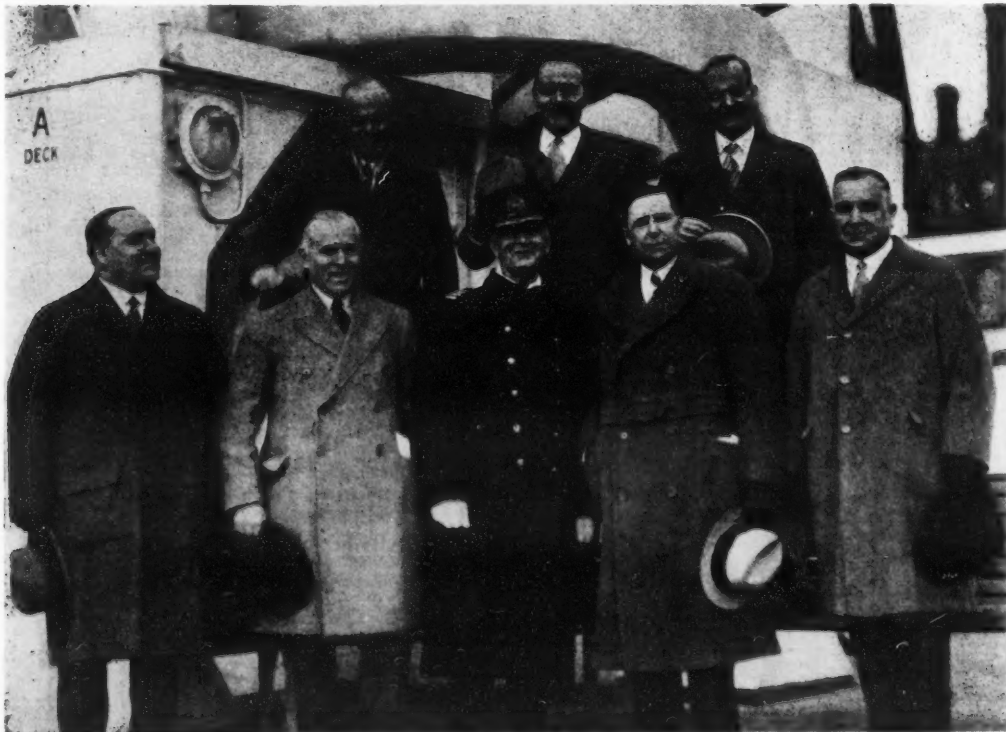
When some of our generals like Currie and Archie
Macdonnell have gone to their place and their mortal
remains have crumbled into dust we shall admit that
they were not half-bad fellows. Perhaps some Canadian
will arise and say they knew and practised the real
art of war. But I doubt it. That is not the Canadian
way.

In 1914 the Allies recoiled; the British in line with
or a little later than their Allies retreated from Mons.
In 1918 the Canadian Corps crashed the gate of Mons.
There has been some controversy as to casualties. Had
Sir Arthur Currie led a French Corps in so striking an
act in the Great War Drama, even although he had ten
thousand casualties, the French would have made him
a Marshall of France and a national hero. We are wiser;
we make him a litigant.

I have said enough I think. Don't growl at the
Americans for their propaganda. But, whenever they
mention one of their pet shows, just bring out in par-
allel columns three bigger and better shows put on by
the Canadians.

Discharge your present Publicity Committee and
begin to show your goods in the window. In these days
modest merit is only unearthed at odd times like fossil
remains and the man who does not advertise attracts
nobody but the bailiff.

Cyclists are reported to have attained astonishing
speed over short distances immediately behind motor-
cars. Pedestrians, on the other hand, show their best
form just in front of them.—Punch.



OPENING OF CANADIAN NATIONAL WEST INDIES SERVICE

Delighted with their new vessel, officers of the Canadian National Railways and Steamships photographed aboard the
R.M.S. "Lady Nelson" on the ship's first day in Canadian waters. Upper Row: W. G. Miller, G. K. McNab, T. Loudon,
Superintendent Engineers. Lower Row: W. S. Thompson, Director of Publicity for the National System, D. E. Galloway,
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General Manager, Canadian National Steamships, Captain E. E. Tedford, Marine Superintendent, Canadian National
Steamships.

Arthur Meighen's Cow Problem

By G. H. MELROSE

AN HITHERTO unpublished story pertaining to the
small-town-lawyering days of Honourable Arthur
Meighen has just come to light. As the people of Canada
well know, Mr. Meighen's early days were spent at Port-
age La Prairie, a little town west of Winnipeg. He may
not keep a scrap-book containing the various strange cases
he has dealt with in the course of a long and successful
career at the bar, but certain friends and admirers retain
distinct memories of the following, among others. This
had to do with an old Scotch farmer who, upon dying,
left a rather involved will designating that one-half of his
seventeen cows should go to his eldest son, one-third to
the next son, and one-ninth to the youngest. It was quite
a tricky little problem in mathematics and the trio of
brothers finally decided to take their troubles to Lawyer
Meighen. For no matter how they figured they couldn't
work out a way of abiding by the strange regulations of
their parent's will. Mr. Meighen was seldom stumped—
so his friends said—and they felt that if any attorney
could untangle the knot it would be he. Their confidence
proved to be justified.

Young Mr. Meighen, who was a brilliant mathemati-
cian in his student days, earnestly set himself to tack-
ling the riddle and in a surprisingly short time he an-
nounced that he had settled it. He had a cow of his own
at that period, so perhaps he had a better knowledge of
bovine matters than most advocates. At all events he
summoned the three brothers, seated them in a row in his
office and proceeded to map out his plan. First of all he
threw in his cow along with the seventeen left by the
Scottish farmer, and he gave the oldest son, who was the
heir, nine cows, or the stipulated half. This disposition
entirely satisfied Sandy, of course. To Jock, the second
son, he rendered the designated one-third, or six cows.
Well and good. Jock nodded his agreement with this
arrangement. Then Angus, the youngest son, received in
accordance with his father's last will and testament two
cows, or one-ninth of the whole number. He said this
satisfied him.

Then Mr. Meighen took his own cow back and every-
body was satisfied. Each had a fraction more cow than
the will provided.

The Worm That Turned

"Woman Improves After Beating With Fence Rail."
—Headline.

WE SAW the headline, then we laid aside
Our evening paper, we had read enough.
"Stout fellow; good for you," we loudly cried.
"Go to it brother! Bravo! Do your stuff."

We know you not; your name is but a name.
We question not the justice of your act.
It matters not; we laud you just the same.
We honour you for your display of tact.

The woman, (so the paper says) improved,
After her beating with the fencing rail;
And we admit we are profoundly moved,
To learn that this condition should prevail.

The crushed worm turned! We have no slightest doubt
You seized the rail and smote with all your might.
We care not what the fuss was all about,
Firmly convinced that you were in the right.

But do not weaken brother! Carry on,
The fence rail ever handy should she move
Against your dictates, and the fight is won.
You'll find that she'll continue to improve.

—Roger B. Priestman.

Murray Gibbon

By P. W. LUCE

FREE verse has taken a definite place in literature that
does not please those enamored of the more regular
forms of poetic expression. It is not, as some hastily
imagine, a recent development of creative art. It is un-
doubtedly older than rhyme or rhythm, and there are
some ancient examples that rise to sublime heights never
attained by poet laureates or even syndicate writers.

J. Murray Gibbon went back into history nearly three
thousand years for a quotation with which to confound
Arthur Stringer when these two novelists had a difference
of opinion at the Canadian Authors' Convention in Cal-
gary, compelling his opponent, if not to admit defeat, at
least to acknowledge that they were notable exceptions
to his statement that nobody could possibly memorize
free verse.

Mr. Gibbon, who had waxed highly satirical of what
he termed the "barrel organ" type of poetry in his earlier
address, promptly arose and declared that there was at
least one "free verse" composition which nearly everybody
present could quote from memory.

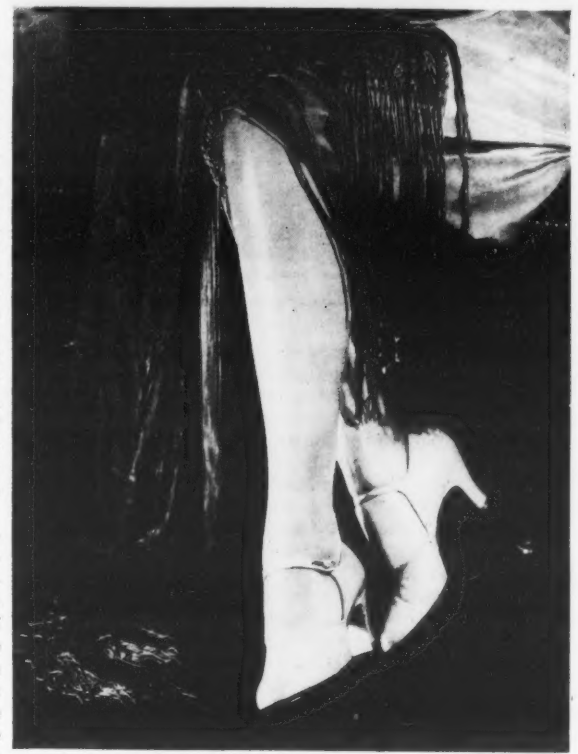
"Name it!" challenged the unconvinced Stringer.
"It is the Twenty-third Psalm," answered Gibbon, and
intoned:

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
"He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he
leadeth me beside the still waters . . .", and so on for
the first few verses.

Incidentally, Mr. Gibbon pointed out that although the
Twenty-third Psalm has only 119 words, it contains possi-
bilities for at least 31 book titles, several of which have
already been used. These are: "My Shepherd", "I",
"Want", "He", "Me", "Green Pastures", "Still Waters",
"My Soul", "Paths of Righteousness", "For His Name's
Sake", "The Valley", "The Shadow", "Death", "Fear",
"Evil", "Rod and Staff", "Comfort", "The Presence", "Mine
Enemies", "Oil", "Goodness", "Mercy", "Follow Me", "The
Days of My Life", "The House of the Lord", "For Ever",
"Art", "Before Me", "All", "David", and "Confidence".

He Blew It Out

A CHARACTERISTIC story of the late George H. Mil-
len, president of the E. B. Eddy Company, who passed
away the other day, is told by Fred Cook, the old-time
Ottawa newspaperman. Until a few years ago it was Mr.
Millen's habit to take luncheon regularly at the Rideau
Club. One day, after luncheon, Cook happened to turn
around at the cigar counter and found Mr. Millen behind
him. Mr. Millen had selected his cigar, and Cook, who
had just struck a match, tendered him a light. The old
gentleman offered his thanks with the remark, "Well, I'll
take it this time, but let me tell you what happened a few
years ago. The chief, E. B., and I were seated opposite
each other in the office, which we occupied jointly. We
both helped ourselves to cigars at the same time. Then
when I struck a match and held it up to Mr. Eddy, to my
great surprise he blew it out. 'What's that for?' I ques-
tioned. 'Well', E. B. replied, 'You ought to know enough
to encourage the consumption of Eddy's matches.' That
was a lesson which I never forgot. So if I say to you in
a kindly way, 'Don't do it again', you will understand the
reason."



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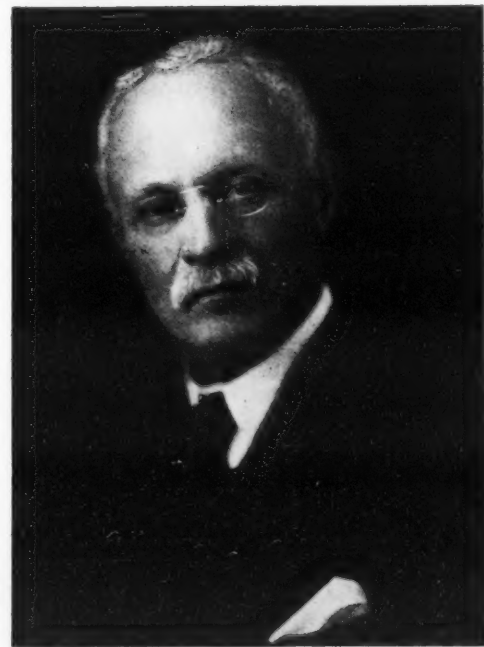
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SIR FREDERICK STUPART

Whose early retirement as head of the Canadian Meteor-
ologist service, a post he has held for over 30 years, is
announced. Sir Frederick was 71 in October and joined
the service in 1872 at the age of 18. His renown is
international.



OFFICIAL Ottawa is living up to Canada's enhanced position in world affairs. Brilliant functions are following one another in rapid succession and are of a significance hitherto lacking in this country's capital. In the space of a week three events have taken place which reflect the growing importance of Canada in international matters. Sir William Clark was officially welcomed as Great Britain's first High Commissioner to Canada, then Mr. Mackenzie King was fittingly honored by the League of Nations Society in connection with his signing of the Kellogg Treaty for Canada and his attendance at Geneva, and after that the government was host to no less a distinguished personage than the Foreign Secretary of England, Sir Austen Chamberlain. All three events were occasions for notable comment on the changing status of Canada and the alteration that is taking place in inter-Empire relationships. All were of a non-partisan character.

Sir Austen was given a becoming welcome by the nation, and was asked by the Prime Minister to take overseas a message of loyal devotion to His Majesty from the people of Canada. In return the Foreign Secretary paid some glowing tributes to this country. He saw Canada growing to a future in which she would far exceed the Old Country in might and wealth and population. He was strengthened for his work in the world, he was good enough to say, by what he had seen of this Dominion and the welcome he had everywhere received here.

Unlike some Canadian statesmen, notably Sir George Foster and Premier Ferguson of Ontario, the Foreign Secretary prefers the term "British Commonwealth of Nations" to the old name "British Empire". In his mind it is descriptive of the new relationship between the members of the British family, implying a group of nations having their distinct concerns but working together in world affairs and owing allegiance to a common sovereign. For Sir George Foster, on the other hand, there is a "kick" in the old term "Empire" that he finds lacking in the one now so commonly in use. Premier King, of course, is of those who like the newer and longer name.

BUT Canada's launching out so rapidly in diplomacy and foreign affairs is providing new problems for the powers that be in Ottawa. One hears that a large part of the time of a cabinet council meeting the other day was taken up with a serious debate on the manner in which the new diplomats of this country should be garbed at official functions. Some members of the government want them to wear full Foreign Office uniforms while others hold that the ordinary civilian formal clothes would be more in keeping with the democracy of Canada. Mr. Massey, when he is on formal duty at Washington or Ottawa, wears a Windsor Uniform, which he is entitled to do as a result of his having been for a short time in the Canadian Cabinet. Since the Minister to Washington so adorns himself, it is regarded as likely that the government will authorize the representatives of the country at other foreign capitals to give themselves some brilliancy sartorially.

Except for the selection of a minister plenipotentiary for the post at Tokio, the exchange of representatives in all cases so far provided for has now taken place. The first minister from France, M. Jean Knight, arrived a few days ago and was received by the government. An official dinner to mark his formal welcome will be held later. No intimation has been given as to who is to get the Tokio post. Two or three Canadians living in England, it is understood, would be ready to take it on but there is no great competition for it at home.

EVERY official dinner on Parliament Hill is a reminder that Architect Pearson did not please everybody when he designed the legislative buildings. On the occasion of every such function part of the furnishings of the buildings are torn out to provide a banquet hall. The Parliamentary Restaurant is a commodious room, with one of the best equipped kitchens in the country adjoining, but the Prime Minister doesn't fancy the architectural character of the Restaurant and so when the government entertains it has the House of Commons reading room emptied of its furnishings and converted into a dinner hall. This necessitates all the dinnerware and food being brought down six flights. In a number of other particulars the new buildings leave something to be desired in the matter of their design.

IN CONNECTION with the Armistice ceremonies the Memorial Chamber in the Peace Tower of Parliament was formally open to the public by the Prime Minister. "In the name of the people of Canada in proud and grateful remembrance of sixty thousand of her sons and daughters whose lives were given in the cause of freedom, I unlock the doors of this Memorial Chamber and declare it henceforth open to the public," said Mr. King. "Here upon its wall is inscribed the record of their deeds, and upon its Altar will rest the Book of Remembrance containing their names. This then is the very heart of Canada wherein their memory will be cherished forever."

"O valiant hearts, who to your glory came
"Though dust of conflict and through battle-flame;
"Tranquil you lie, your knightly virtue proved.
"Your memory hallowed in the land you loved."

The Memorial Chamber has been carried out in a very beautiful and very skillful manner with a wealth of carving telling the story of Canada's part in the Great War. Architecturally it is a great credit to the designer and to the sculptors who have been working on it for years.

MAJOR General Andrew Duncan McRae, member of the House of Commons for North Vancouver, who made such a splendid success of organizing the Conservative national convention last year, has accepted the post of supervisor of permanent party organization for the opposition. General McRae is a very capable organizer, as he has frequently demonstrated in his private affairs. The Opposition should consider itself fortunate that he is willing to give so much of his time to its work.

The party seems to have been experiencing some difficulty in connection with the by-election in Victoria,

B.C., to fill the vacancy created by Hon. S. F. Tolmie's resignation when he became provincial leader. The party strategists consider it important that the seat be retained, but some Tories were quite willing to hand it over as a gift to ex-Premier McLean. The higher-ups stepped in and decreed that this should not be done and a warm by-election campaign is in progress.

A LIVELY topic of debate at the forthcoming session of parliament probably will be the question of re-adjusting the capitalization of the Canadian National Railways. This subject has been receiving renewed attention from public men of late and not a few think the time has come when action should be taken. For some years experts have been exploring the mazes of Canadian National capitalization and values and it is understood they have completed their task and placed their report in the hands of Sir Henry Thornton. One broad suggestion as to the extent to which the capitalization should be written down is that all the debt owing to the government should be absorbed into the national debt, leaving the railways to carry the debt to the public. The report of the experts, however, will indicate just where the institution stands and will be the basis for a close examination of the problem.

Meanwhile new demands are being made on the railway for capital expenditure. Some people in Toronto are suggesting that it should extend its hotel system into that city by the erection of a hotel to match the new Canadian Pacific hostelry. Officials of the system have not so far encouraged the idea and appear disposed to wait and see how the C.P.R. hotel meets the requirements of Toronto.

Sir Henry Thornton's contract with the government expires next month and he will be asked to renew it. According to Montreal and Ottawa rumor his services are desired in Mexico, but more than once he has indicated an inclination to remain in this country and the expectation is that his contract will be renewed for another five years on the same terms as at present.

THE government is showing some disposition to hurry along activities in the construction of public buildings and Toronto at long last is on the way to acquiring its much needed customs house. An appropriation of \$500,000 was voted by parliament last session and a contract for the construction is to be let next month. The estimated total cost of the building is approximately \$2,000,000. At the same time it is intimated that the new Confederation Building for Ottawa is to be rushed as the civil service is feeling cramped in some of its present quarters.

SIR FREDERICK STUPART having resigned as chief Dominion weather man, there is some talk of the moving of the meteorological station from Toronto to Ottawa, but no decision has been taken. This department of governmental activity is becoming increasingly important owing to the expansion of the air service. Under Hon. Peter Veniot, the Post Office Department is pursuing a policy extending the air mail service throughout Canada, surveys of the possibilities of the service having been made from east to west, and reliable weather reports will soon be in much greater demand than at present. The latest survey in connection with projected air mail service was made in the Maritime Provinces, there being a demand there that Halifax and St. John be linked up with Montreal and Toronto. Western Ontario is also anxiously waiting for an extension through from Toronto to Windsor and the Post Office Department is sympathetic but just at present it hasn't the money to spend. It has been found, too, that for such comparatively short mail flights as that between Toronto and the Detroit River faster planes than those now available are required if the service is to be fully successful. The department hopes to have the service extended from Toronto to Buffalo and to Windsor in a short time.

OTTAWA politicians are still discussing the United States election and the possible reaction on Canadian politics of the choice of Mr. Hoover for president. The impression is fairly widely entertained that Mr. Mackenzie King may boldly face the situation that has been created by reversing his tariff tendencies and seek to convince the western farmers that since they are to be left out of the United States market entirely they must admit the necessity of building up the home market. The Conservatives, however, are considerably bucked by the situation, reasoning that the election of Mr. Hoover on a policy of prohibitive tariffs makes it economically necessary for this country to adopt protective measures and that in this connection the people are most likely to turn to the traditional party of protection.

Some Quebec enemies of the St. Lawrence-Great Lakes deep waterway project fear Mr. Hoover's persistence in connection therewith. They profess to think he may succeed in inducing the Ottawa government into a deal notwithstanding that he so flatly rejected Mr. King's proposition that the waterway should be linked up with the question of tariffs. The more general opinion, however, is that in view of that proposition Mr. Hoover's election has given a decided set-back to the project.

SOME years ago a British Prime Minister appointed to a light but well-paid post a gentleman not renowned for his public services. A deputation of indignant Parliamentarians waited on Lord Curzon and asked him if nothing could be done in regard to the scandal. His reply was that nothing could be done. The appointment was entirely in the hands of the Prime Minister—"though," he added, "there has been no such administrative outrage since Caligula made his horse a consul."

AT one of the English University examinations, we are told, a nervous student had been instructed to write out examples of the indicative, subjunctive, potential, and exclamatory moods. His efforts resulted as follows: "I am trying to pass an examination in English. If I answer twenty questions I shall pass. If I answer twelve, I may pass. God help me!"

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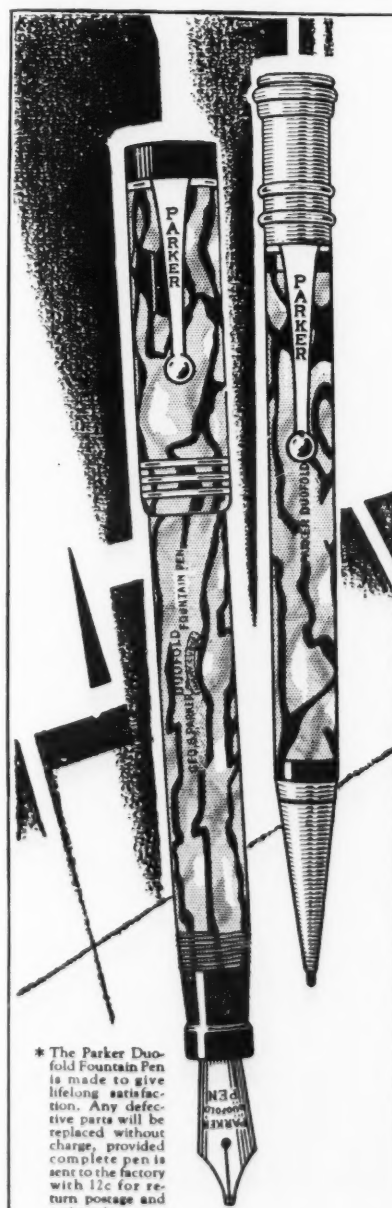
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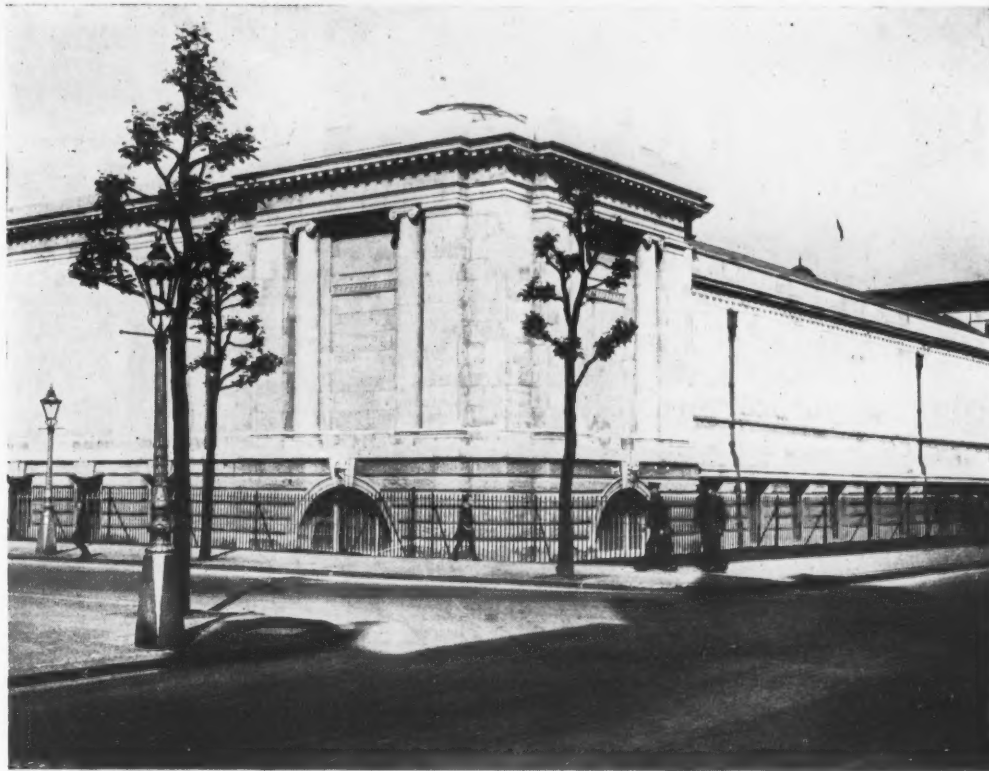
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SIR JOSEPH DUVEEN'S GIFT TO BRITAIN
It is understood that a further extension of the Tate Gallery at Millbank is imminent. Sir Joseph Duveen, who has already provided an additional gallery to house the foreign pictures, including the famous Courtauld collection, is to provide, instead of the sculpture room contemplated, a gallery in which the Turner drawings and other works of art might be housed above the level that might conceivably be reached by any further floods. The picture shows one aspect of the Tate Gallery.

Presidential Vote in Retrospect

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greatly strengthened his party in places where it was avowedly weak before and pessimistic talk about the impending extinction of the Democratic party has no rational basis. It polled a larger proportion of the popular vote than in 1904, 1920 or 1924 and only a slightly smaller proportion than in 1908 and 1912 and a party, which polls more than 40 per cent. of the popular vote, cannot be negligible. There must be some sort of opposition to the Republican party and, as the Progressives have disappeared and the Socialist party showed no serious sign of strength at the late election, the Democratic party will survive as the instrument of opposition. And the candidacy of Al Smith, although it will never be repeated, may prove to be an event of major importance in American politics. Heretofore the councils of the Democratic party have been dominated by the influence of the "Solid South" and its reactionary tendencies have prevented many northerners of progressive outlook from supporting the party; they have preferred to fight for progressive ideas within the ranks of the Republican party. But on the showing of the election the Democratic party now derives 75 per cent. of its strength from outside the "Solid South" and it has rid itself of a mass of bigoted reactionary opinion which has betaken itself to the Republican camp. Sooner or later some party is going to win an election in the United States with a mandate to reverse the farcical prohibition laws which are sapping the very foundations of society and giving an economic basis to crime and wrongdoing on an unparalleled scale and, if the Democrats have the sense to preserve the standard of courage set by "Al Smith" on the liquor issue, they may yet reap their reward. If Franklin Roosevelt, the Governor-elect of New York can recover his health, he would make a most attractive and formidable candidate in 1932 and he might continue the process, now begun by Smith, of transforming the Democrats into a really progressive party composed in the main of urban industrialists who are steadily forging ahead of the rural population in numbers.

MR. HERBERT HOOVER will enter the White House with as fair a field for statesmanship before him as any American President ever enjoyed. Gains in the late election which give the Republicans 55 out of the 96 seats in the Senate and at least 250 out of the 435 in the House of Representatives will ensure him a comfortable majority in both houses and he will be faced with an opposition which lacks first-rate leadership and will for some time be chiefly occupied in domestic recriminations. Moreover the restless Republican Progressives will not be in position to practise successful insurgency as they did during the last two administrations. But he need not expect an easy life. For one thing he must be good upon the subject of prohibition which he has characterized as "a noble experiment" and, when he addresses himself to the task of secure obedience of the liquor laws his troubles will begin. Again the tide of prosperity, at least as reflected on the stock market tickers, is still flowing strongly and may continue for some time but sooner or later a recession and a period of hard times are inevitable. There are certain weaknesses in the economic structure of the United States and its inhabitants will grow exceedingly restless under a spell of adversity. When it arrives, the economic and social policies of the United States will require very skilful direction if political disaster for the governing party is to be avoided. As Secretary of Trade and Commerce Mr. Hoover has paid special attention to the problem of expanding his country's foreign trade and capturing what are known as International markets. Circumstances have favored his efforts because the United States is now in the happy position of being able to make foreign loans on a large scale and has followed the old British practice of using them as a lever to secure business. Today however the expansion of output in many American industries has been so rapid that it far exceeds the domestic demand and an outlet for the surplus production must be found abroad. Mr. Hoover will be expected to find the necessary markets and so we may expect from him substantial doses of the policy known as economic imperialism which the United States is already practising with considerable success in Central and South America.

Then the new President will also have to face the broad question of the international relations of the United States. Since the war ended it has seen fit to pursue a policy of nationalist isolation and view the troubles of the rest of the world with a certain measure of scornful complacency. It has rejected and condemned the League of Nations but it has been unable to ignore a body which was engaged in so many international activities and has maintained a sort of backstairs connection with Geneva in order to influence decisions which might affect American interests. The problem before Mr. Hoover is whether he will persevere in this tortuous and not wholly creditable course or try to regularize the relations of the United States with the League. There is no greater peril on the political horizon than the

danger of a competition in naval armaments between the United States and a group of European nations and Mr. Coolidge is transmitting to his successor the heritage of a new cruiser programme of formidable dimensions which seems strangely out of accord with the spirit of the Kellogg anti-war treaty. Mr. Hoover was reared in the Quaker faith to whose devotees war is abhorrent but Mr. Oswald Garrison Villard of the New York Nation classifies him as renegade Quaker and says the breed are apt to be dangerous reactionaries. However Mr. Hoover starts with the advantage of an extensive acquaintance with foreign countries such as few of his predecessors at the White House have enjoyed. No President has had the same firsthand knowledge of the British Empire and its problems and none have had such a practical intimacy with international affairs. The natural presumption would be that a politician with this background would possess very friendly feelings for the British Empire and would be disposed to lead his country along the path of international co-operation. But the Washington correspondent of the London Times issues a warning that too high hopes should not be cherished in this direction. "For him (Mr. Hoover)" he writes "the American way, whether it is political, social or religious, is better than any other way and in its essence different and superior. His is a conception of American romanticized by Long residence abroad. To call him as some of his stupid opponents have called him an 'internationalist' is to misunderstand him completely unless that word is distorted to mean that the universe could with advantage be remade on the American model."

The result of no Presidential election in the United States could fail to have some significance for the people of Canada and indirect consequences upon our own politics may soon be revealed. Both Mr. Hoover and the Republican party are firmly committed to the ideal of high protectionism in the form of a tariff which will effectively shut off foreign commission and whatever hope of generous tariff concessions from Washington Mr. Mackenzie King and his friends may have cherished must now be summarily discarded. The Conservatives on their part are left free to persevere with their argument that the present condition of our trade relations with the United States resulting in a very unfavorable trade balance demands readjustment through a policy of fiscal retaliation which they alone are willing to put in practice. But it is connection with the St. Lawrence Deep Waterway project that we may feel most directly and immediately the influence of Mr. Hoover upon our fortunes. For some years past he has been a vigorous and assiduous protagonist of the scheme; it is the sort of project which appeals to an engineering mind and he is honestly convinced of its economic benefits. He was Chairman of the United States National Committee whose report committed the Coolidge administration to the waterway and he stressed its benefits during his campaign. Therefore it is safe prediction that after he has settled down in the White House he will begin without delay to exercise every possible pressure upon the King Government to formulate a definite policy upon the waterway. It is the thorniest issue before the Canadian people and none is fraught with the greatest peril for the King Government and with Mr. Hoover in control at Washington a policy "quieta non movere" will be impossible at Ottawa.

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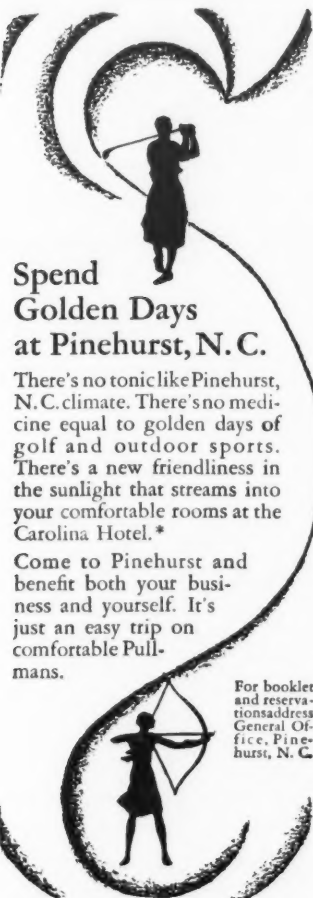
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Hofmann in Splendid Form

The first of the present season's series of Philharmonic Concerts took place at Massey Hall on Nov. 16th with Josef Hofmann as the artist of the occasion. According to the despatches romance entered the celebrated pianist's life some time back. I do not know whether the art of renowned pianists is affected by their emotional experiences but apparently romance has done Hofmann a good turn. Never in a number of seasons has he played so beautifully and brilliantly. On his previous appearances of recent years he had seemed somewhat indifferent, not to say "hard-boiled", but on this occasion, there was a freshness, tenderness, and commanding authority in his interpretations that warmed the enthusiasm of every listener.

The programme, though for the most part familiar was notable for charm and distinction, numbers so gracious that they never weary the music lover if at all well done. Hofmann's mastery of the mechanics of his instrument has been proverbial since most of us were young; his power and diamond-cut brilliance; his absolute ease, balance, and command of every resource of his instrument, have long been recognized; but one has sometimes felt a lack of poetry in his interpretations. To-day however in the beauty of his touch, and the charm of his phrasing he seems to be a different Hofmann.

The first number was one that has enjoyed immortality for two centuries. Handel's Variations in E major ("The Harmonious Blacksmith"). Millions know the air, which has undying charm, and the variations as played by Hofmann had a refinement, rhythmical grace and lyric quality absolutely enchanting. The subtlety with which the suggestion of the anvil was brought out was especially notable. It was followed by Mendelssohn's Scherzo in E minor developed from the fairy themes of the "Midsummer Night's Dream" music and was played with captivating delicacy and lightness and with color of strings and horns in its tonal rendering. The large work of the evening was Schumann's "Carneval" one of the most varied and piquant compositions of piano literature. An interesting factor in its interpretation was the manner in which Hofmann bound its details together. The older critics used to object to "Carneval" as an unrelated bundle of snippets, but there was no justification for such a superficial conclusion in Hofmann's rendering. Throughout he emphasized the suggestion of a single individuality expressing itself in different moods and fancies. The playing of the Preamble, the Reconnaisance and the final "March of the Davidsbundler against the Philistines" had especial nobility and significance in the treatment of themes and the climax of the latter episode was marked by mellow tonal grandeur. Among the lighter details the playing of that entitled "Chopin", Schumann's paraphrase on the style of his fellow composer was deliciously Chopinesque in quality.

Of Chopin himself Hofmann gave an ample offering and it was in these numbers that the renewed quality of youthful tenderness was especially apparent. His playing of numbers like the Valse in A flat major and the "Minute Valse" had rippling and pearly graces, and he was especially impressive in the un-hackneyed and profoundly emotional Nocturne in E flat major. The taste

and color of his rendering of one of the Fantasies was also entrancing. For his final group he played one of his own compositions under his pen name of "Dvorsky", a very sunny and gracious little piece and he followed it with a most original and stimulating March by the young Russian composer and pianist, Sergei Prokofieff. This is the first occasion on which I have seen the name of Prokofieff on a Toronto programme, although I have heard some of his compositions elsewhere. There is no doubt of his elemental fire and rhythmical vitality. Hofmann's rendering of the work had so much vim and raciness that there were vociferous demands for its repetition. Finally Hofmann gave a magnificent exhibition of refined dynamics and execution in Liszt's "Venezia e Napoli". The bells of the "Campanella" certainly pealed gloriously in this rendering, and he followed it with a delightfully crisp performance of Beethoven's "Turkish March".

Schubert Centenary Concert

On November 19th, 1828, Franz Schubert sighed out his brief and seemingly unrewarded life amid hallucinations induced by that dread malady, typhus. These hallucinations were in themselves beautiful, for he imagined that Beethoven, who had died twenty months previously, was with him, and by his expressed wish the father and brother who had watched



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him near the grave of the great master in the Währing cemetery at Vienna. He was not yet 32, and since childhood he had been pouring forth music in many forms, spontaneously and so carelessly, that it was not for years thereafter that many of his finest works were recovered. Though he had always been poor, so poor that his health was undermined—he had been in the main happy. But there was nothing in his circumstances when fever laid him low to suggest to him that he had already attained earthly immortality. In the case of no other composer of his years has there been revealed such a sweeping flood of exquisite melodic inspiration; and in the case of no other has fame been so unquestioningly and increasingly accorded in the century which has passed since his death.

It was a very happy thought then in Dr. Ernest Macmillan and the Faculty of the Toronto Conservatory of Music to honor the centenary of Schubert's death with a memorial concert showing various phases of his genius. The most important work, in the sense of its being so little known to the average audience, was the Octet in F for String Quartet and Double Bass, Clarinet, Bassoon and Horn. It was composed in 1824 when Schubert had attained what, considering his precocious beginnings, was something like maturity. It is not only beautiful in a melodic sense, as are all his works, but illustrates his mastery of instrumental harmony, then progressing toward great future developments, by virtue of its richness of detail and the loveliness of its unique tonal combination. The eighteen executants were violins—Luigi Von Kunitz and Harold Sumberg; viola, Erwin Harris; cello, Leo Smith; contra-bass, Charles Rose; clarinet, Herbert Pys; bassoon, Harold Crowther, and horn, Reginald Barrow. The eight musicians were directed by Dr. Macmillan, and played with warmth, finesse and lyric expression, and with that truth to pitch which is not always attained in wind instruments. The work is in six movements. The sunny Allegro was especially exhilarating, and the Minuet was rendered with rhythmic fascination. There are no less than three Andante movements (2nd, 4th and 6th) and the nobility of the last (Andante molto-Allegro) in which a glorious climax is built up, was especially entrancing. This work, as has been said, is unfamiliar to the public, though sometimes used by conductors of the greater orchestras to show the talents of their section leaders. In view of the comparatively limited audience present at Conservatory Hall on Nov. 19th, one would like to see it presented by Dr. von Kunitz at some future concert of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra.

The other instrumental offering was the more familiar Trio in B flat, Opus 99, one of the most beautiful of Schubert's chamber works. It was given with sincerity and finish by Frank Blachford, violin, Leo Smith, cello, and Alberto Guerrero, pianist, the latter of whom especially distinguished himself. A feature of the vocal programme was the great quartet "God in Nature," sung by four of the most gifted of local soloists, Marjorie Vincent and Kathleen Monk, sopranos and Myrtle Hare and Queenie McGillis, altos. In vocal quality, blending of tone, and refinement of expression, the rendering was most satisfying. Poul Bai, the baritone, was unable to sing the group allotted to him, but Miss Vincent and Miss Hare substituted, each with a brace of songs. The pure, appealing voice of Miss Vincent was most effective in "Roselein" and "Margaret at the Spinning Wheel."



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Elman
in Fine
Form

While it was not a new Elman one heard at the recent recital at Massey Hall—there was no reason, of course, why there should be a new Elman unless his two-year excursion into the realm of chamber music might be expected to have had some effect—it was, nevertheless, an Elman who possessed a new quality. Possibly it was a deeper maturity, a more settled graciousness. Whatever it was, his music was notably enriched thereby.

The programme was well-chosen for purposes of contrast. He opened with a Handel Sonata (D Major) and followed it with Beethoven's Sonata, No. 5 in F (for piano and violin). The first was a revelation of graceful phrases, the warm, sensuous tone of Elman being noticeably restrained in the presence of Mr. Handel. The effect of almost austere beauty that was thus achieved was as novel as it was delightful. In the second, the more romantic Beethoven permitted the violinist to speak in rich, vital song, and all the Elman qualities—overtone by his new quality—were given full expression. It was a fascinating performance, in which the splendid part played by Marcel Van Gool at the assisting piano was in no wise obscured. The Vieuxtemps Concerto cannot be considered profound, but it served to display Elman's brilliant technical ability; not an overshadowing technical brilliance as in the case of Heifetz, let us say, for in Elman all the phases of the violinist are an inseparable unit. For that reason even such a show piece as this Concerto had added to it a certain significance that it did not possess in its own right.

A group of miscellaneous numbers chosen to display the violinist's genius to evoke the sensation of colour and project the rhythm of the dance, and Saint-Saens' Rondo Capriccioso completed the programme. The latter made a dazzling finale that brought in its train several encores.

George Robey in
New Revue

George Robey has been across Canada in "Bits and Pieces" (which is not intended as a reflection on the railway service) and is now back again with a new revue, "Between Ourselves", in which he plans to open his Christmas season in London.

As usual, Mr. Robey gives unstintingly of himself. There are eighteen scenes and he appears in ten of them. Occasionally one feels that he is being too generous and that one would appreciate him more if he were sparing in his favors. At that, one finds him generally quite comical.

"Between Ourselves" is not to be compared with the type of fine-spun English revue which Charlot brought to perfection. The former is never very far removed from its origin, the Music Hall. Its fun is laid along broader, more open lines and is designed to evoke the belly-laugh rather than that delicate laughter indicative of cerebral enjoyment; although the two amusing skits, "Habit" — which depicts the well-grooved husband and commuter — and "Who's House" — a comedy of complicated burglary — are reminiscent of M. Charlot and Noel Coward.

Mr. Robey's gifts as a comic are undeniable. He has, prime requisites, vital personality and intelligence, and possesses a genuine flair for pantomimic travesty. Indeed, he is the clown rather than the comedian; be-

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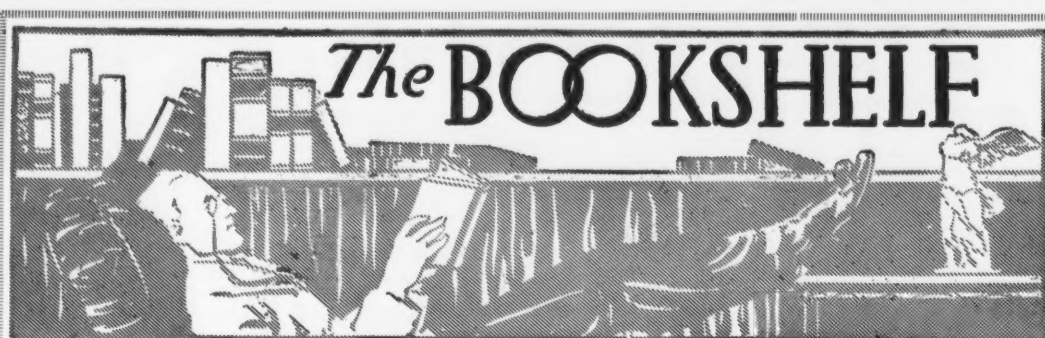
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Paul Claudel Poet and Diplomat

By S. H. HOOKE.

THE recent visit of Paul Claudel to Canada was somewhat overshadowed by the presence of Sir Austen Chamberlain at the same time. The latter was naturally the centre of greater public interest. Distinguished as M. Claudel's diplomatic career has been, it cannot compare, of course, with Sir Austen's labours and achievements in the cause of world peace. But there is a magic country, remote from the "Olympic dust" of European politics, where Paul Claudel is crowned and reigns a king in his own right, while the great statesman shrinks to insignificance. It is the realm of art where national differences disappear and men are measured by other standards.

There are times when madness comes upon men. The east wind blows, and great weariness falls upon the spirit. Then the soul shrinks and becomes a mote of dust blown upon wandering winds. Dreams cease and all utterance becomes stale. There comes an intolerable sense of the dead hand, a sense that every word and every act has been said and done ten thousand times before, that there is nothing, nor ever will be. Then it is that the man who can break the spell, and blow a blast on the horns of elf-land, setting all the dreams astir, and making all things young again, is more welcome than snow-water in the heat of harvest.

The Great War, and the years following it, were such a time, and much of the poetry to which it gave birth was poetry of disillusionment, such poetry as finds perfect and final expression in A. E. Housman's *Last Poems*.

True, some of it was the magnificent expression of that generous spirit that awoke to the challenge and "poured out the red, sweet wine of youth" with a song. The fire, the glow, the passion, the transfiguring vision of the deeper things, the ultimate issues for which men fought, were reflected in the individual mirror of a poetry that was intensely personal.

But M. Claudel's presence with us recalls his poetic utterances during the war, when he gave supreme expression to what could only be felt by those who must watch and wait, the agony with which an older generation watched the unending holocaust of young life, the seemingly wasted seed of the world's future hope.

M. CLAUDEL'S early career was spent in the French consular service in the Far East. The literary fruit of his Eastern experience was embodied in a little volume of brilliant and highly finished sketches entitled, *Connaissance de l'Est*, and was also reflected in one of his most striking plays, *Le Repos du Septième Jour*, based on an interesting Chinese legend of an Emperor who descended into the underworld to save the nation at a time of supreme peril.

To his long sojourn in the East is perhaps due the fact that Paul Claudel is somewhat apart from the stream of French literary fashions. He is a lonely figure, with some affinity in thought to Péguy, some little debt to the Symbolists, but, in the main, working out a technique in drama and poetry which is strongly individual. He has immersed himself in Aeschylus and Shakespeare, and something of the Aeschylean sense of vast, super-human forces interwoven with and shaping the human drama, together with a liberation from the classical tradition in drama due to his interest in Shakespeare, appear in the great series of dramas which he has called *L'Arbre, the Tree of Life*. In their order these were, *La Jeune Fille Violaine*, afterwards recast and more widely known both in production and translations as *L'Annonce faite à Marie, Tête d'Or, La Ville, and Le Repos du Septième Jour* already mentioned. The general title, *The Tree*, given to the four, suggests the artist's attempt to portray in dramatic form the vast sweep of the underlying spiritual forces that have directed the development of *The Tree of Life*. The eternal conflict in the human soul is dramatized in great cloudy figures like Broken spectres.

These great plays were received

Christmas Literary Supplement

Next week's issue will contain articles and reviews by H. J. Davis, Morley Callaghan, S. H. Hooke, Pelham Edgar, Hector Charlesworth, B. K. Sandwell, Raymond Knister, Lawrence J. Burpee, Vernal B. House, Margaret Lawrence, Merrill Denison, and other well-known contributors to "The Bookshelf".

with respectful and somewhat distant admiration rather than popularity. It was Middleton Murry who discovered Claudel for English readers, and shortly before the war he was being widely read in England. A very remarkable historical play of the Napoleonic period called *L'Otage* was translated into English, and was ably produced at Hart House. But M. Claudel reached the peak of his poetic fame with the poems written during the war. In 1915 appeared the *Trois Poèmes de Guerre*, in which the "strong-winged music" of the instrument which the poet had fashioned for himself, his "vers claudélien," began to stir the nation. In 1916 he published a collection of ten poems called *Autres Poèmes durant la Guerre*, of which the central and longest poem was *La Grande Attente*. Much of the literature, prose and poetry, produced by the war is already fading, but *La Grande Attente*, the profoundest, most searching, most comprehensive in emotional range, of all the poetic utterances of the war, is a work of art which stands alongside Francis Thompson's *Mistress of Vision*, a permanent possession.

A DESCRIPTION of this great poem will best reveal the inner nature of the gracious visitor by whose distinguished presence, so representative of Gallic wit and culture, Canada has recently been honored. The poem begins with the thought of the finished harvest of 1916, the grain gathered, the fruits all plucked, the barns filled. France asks of what substance is made the bread for the coming year's provision, of what the fruits are made, and whence comes the scent of the flowers? The answer comes that of the husband, the father, the master, gone to return no more, of them the bread is made, death in the taste of the fruit, the scent of the flowers, they are sowing for the coming year. The reapers say that though they surely did not plough with laughter, they can hardly be said to have reaped with joy—with a touch of terrible realism the poet says—"heavier than a sheaf of corn is the fallen man whom

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"The Man with Open Eyes"

"Nicolo Machiavelli, the Florentine"; by Giuseppe Prezzolini, translated from the Italian by Ralph Roeder, Brentano's—Louis Carrier, Montreal; 257 pages, illustrated with five full page plates; \$3.50.

BY A. R. RANDALL-JONES

THIS is a very remarkable book—this biography of one Florentine by another. It is a translation from the Italian, and, if the translation be not a free one, then the book is certainly a free—and even a "fresh"—book. For it treats of the greatest Florentine of all in those glowing phrases in which the chosen coin of fancy of the modern American slang-lover delights to find expression. "For Pete's sake!" "Give 'em the air, Mac!"—such are the literary flowers with which this portrayal of a character, as to the constituent qualities of which mankind has disputed for more than four hundred years, is embellished.

About this sort of treatment, of this sort of figure, there is a certain piquancy of insolence that has its arresting quality. To say that this book is "breezy" is to be guilty of an understatement of fact. It is more in the nature of that "sirocco," so often on Italian lips. For, in more than one account of an episode, it shows itself undeniably "hot stuff"—to use the kind of language in favor with the author. But, exasperating as the mixture of crudity with something less finished than what one ordinarily understands as cynicism may be, the effect of the whole is certainly not lacking in either vividness or vitality. One may dislike the tone of the book, one may detest its very general flippancy, but the shrewdness that is part and parcel of both the one and the other is striking and, in a way, significant.

For one is not at all sure whether, in the main, the writer has not got nearer to the core of the real Machiavelli than many another who has essayed with more ponderosity and, probably, with a profounder understanding of the complex and complicated problems with which "the Florentine" was called upon (or called upon himself) to deal. That is, if there was a real human being at the core of which it is possible to arrive. That, in itself, is a question as to which history, with all its vaunted supreme advantage of perspective, has never, it would seem, arrived at a definite conclusion. For, although we have it on high poetic authority that "Nick Machiavel had n'er a trick Though he gave his name to our old Nick,"

it was possibly not wholly without reason that his Christian name has come to be used as a synonym for the devil his surname as one for a liar! Hence, Machiavelli has, somehow, never particularly impressed most of us as a very human being. Still such humanity as he may have possessed



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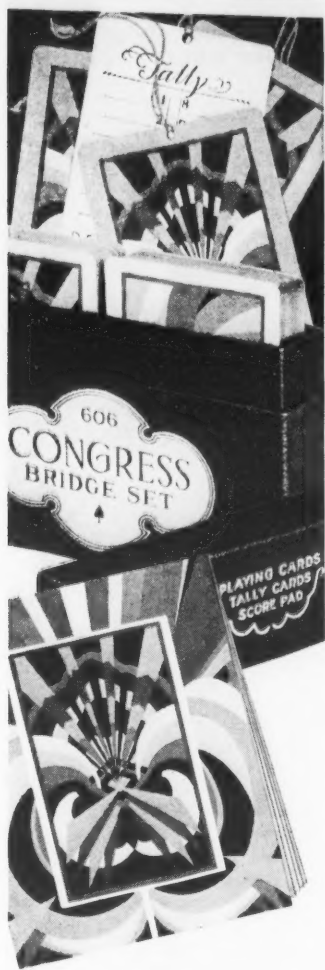
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The author has made the astounding discovery—and apparently plumes himself on the making of it—that Nicolo "was born with his eyes open." For oneself, one would say that the person who would doubt that was of a perspicacity fully qualifying him for an honored citizenship in "the village that voted the earth was flat." But it is not his own wide-open eyes, so much as his ability to throw dust in those of others, that has made his name, adown the ages, one to be hated and execrated, or vaunted and exalted, as fashion or fancy has happened to dictate.

Accordingly, Signor Prezzolini's discovery as to Nicolo's wide-open eyes does not strike one dumb with amazement—it does not make one open one's mouth as wide as the eyes in question! But it is impossible to avoid a feeling—more or less uneasy—that, when he describes the laugh of Machiavelli, he has, to an extent, got under the skin of the "hero." That, after all, is of the very essence of all biography worth having or worthy of the name. To have glimpsed—if only for the moment—something of the man himself. It was, I believe a great Anglican divine who once said that "Besides a man's professions, and gifts, and many of his sayings and acts, there is always something else—there is the man himself." To that "man himself," in the case of Machiavelli, this description of his laugh seems to me to get pretty close: "His laughter was facial, not ventral, it was head-laughter, mirth of the mind, of wit, of ideas. He could not, if he would, split his ribs, or exercise his intestines. But his face—for he had one!—kindled, his eyes sparkled, the muscles of his features thrilled with electric impulse, and, with the merest modicum of bronchial breath, his windpipe emitted a barely perceptible little neigh. It was a dry, dry little laugh, rare and thin, a mealy little smile snug between skin and rind, a smile without satisfaction or solace, that never emerged from his gullet, or incommenced his vitals, mirth more akin to the squeal of the fox, or the wail of the lynx, more reminiscent by far of the goldsmith's file than of the splash-plash of the beneficent and bounteous rain." It was never my lot—not unnaturally—to see Machiavelli in the flesh, any more than it was the fortune of the writer of this biography. But I am well content to believe that Nicolo laughed just as he tells us.

At the same time, it is only at intervals that an occasional burst of inspiration—such as I take that fanciful description of Machiavelli's laugh to be—is equal to carrying one high over many crudities, alike of expression and of judgment. After all, "Machiavellism"—I know no better term to use—essayed to deal with problems that, in themselves, are not fleeting. Rather are they problems that necessarily infringe on the fundamental ethics on which our political and communal life is based. And I submit that it is not necessarily due to any lack of naive humor, but is rather in accordance with that fitness of things that makes the spoken or written word that is apt and just in some connections, utterly inept and even fatuous in others, that makes one feel that such problems cannot be fitly treated in language of flippancy and frivolity. The clown has his own circle—the ring of the circus! and here are other circles into which his intrusion, with his raddled cheeks and mechanical mirth, is little short of impertinence. *Ke sutor ultra crepidam!*

It may well be—and today it needs a less ingenuity to make out a case for such a contention, and certainly a less robustness of candor, to maintain it before mankind, than it did when the world was over four hundred years younger—that "Machiavellism" was not so black as it was painted. A corrupt and divided and distracted country! How is that to be restored and unified? That was a problem that pressed for solution in Machiavelli's day. Incidentally, in Eastern Europe, it is one pressing for solution in our own. The Florentine answered that question—in a way that history has forced us to accept, though it shades off into counsel which none of us can wholly like and some of us will always reject. In brief, it is this: Be strong to smite, ready to smite, and swift and willing to smite; learn to be crafty in approach, finished in address, unsparing in defence and attack. In other words, it is the advice of the lion to the fox, and of the fox to the lion.

And as to the answer to the second great question that "Machiavellism" propounded—in effect, if not in terms. That question I take to be this:—Given a settled, well-ordered and well governed state, to what lengths is it justifiable to go, in order to conserve it? And the Florentine's answer, in substance, was "To all lengths, when laws have failed for the State's protection, to which 'Nature red in tooth and claw' would go, in the like manner."



ALDOUS HUXLEY
Whose "Point and Counterpoint" will be reviewed in next week's Christmas Literary Supplement.

ger." We are living in other days, after the occurrence of "the war that shall end all wars"—and it is for each age to meet its own problems in its own way. At any rate, it might be rash to say that either of the supreme contentions—as I understand them—of Machiavelli's precept in practice have been overborne by the experiences of recent history.

Those who like a biography, at once arresting and annoying to read will find what they require in the volume under review.

Two Misdemeanours and a Riot

"Innocent Bystanding," by Frank Sullivan; Horace Liveright; 260 pages; \$2.00.

"Our Companionate Goldfish," by Don Herold; Doubleday, Doran and Gundy, Toronto; 303 pages with drawings; \$2.00.

"Show Girl," by J. P. McEvoy; Simon and Schuster; Irvin and Gordon; 214 pages; \$2.00.

BY MERRILL DENISON

NO KIND of book suffers so greatly from the bias of the individual reviewer as books of humor, or, as these are often described by their publishers, humorous books. What may be funny to one person is boring to another, annoying to a third and nightshade to a fourth. A "Punch" joke brings tears to the eyes of a "Life" subscriber, and few soldiers overseas bought "La Vie Parisienne" for the laughs they found in it. A reviewer may state that a novel is a good novel and fight it out on that ground if it takes the whole column, but with a book of humor, he can only state that, to him, it is or is not a humorous book. In other words, the review of a humorous book is of little or no value unless the reader knows both the humorist and the reviewer, and even then the one may be pot-boiling and the other have indigestion.

Thus waiving all responsibility, and turning from the general to the particular, we will consider jointly Mr. Don Herold's "Companionate Goldfish" and Mr. Frank Sullivan's "Innocent Bystanding". Both are collections of short humorous pieces which have already appeared in "Life", "Judge", "College Humor", etc. Mr. Herold is a cartoonist who draws Euclidean people with circular heads and triangular noses, and writes the words and music to go with his cartoons. Mr. Sullivan writes only, and is best known for his contributions to the "New York World".

These two gentlemen are generally intelligent, frequently witty, and occasionally provoke spontaneous laughter. Taken in small doses, say one a day, their sketches would be most acceptable, and in time would tend to develop a genuine fondness for their authors. In case lots, however, they seem like sitting down to a seven-course dinner of cream puffs and Coca-Cola.

Please understand that this is an intensely personal reaction, and out of fairness to all concerned I hasten to add that my wife disagrees with me to the extent of reading, in a voice choked with laughter, excerpts from their collected works. On the other hand, Mr. J. P. McEvoy's "Show Girl" leaves her cold. She finds it rather strained and written in a language which she but dimly connects with English, while I seek adjectives luscious enough to convey my enthusiasm for it.

"SHOW GIRL" seems to me to be the most amusing diversion in Manhattanese, the tongue of Broadway, since "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes", which praise is intended to be high indeed. The heroine, Miss Dixie Dugan, is much the same sort of young woman as the one who graced Anita Loos' pages, except that she has brains and a scruple. This scruple, I am confident, will endear her to Canadian readers.

The story is unfolded through letters, press clippings, telegrams, police blotters, radiograms and dramatic dialogue. It is authorless in

that there is neither narrative nor description. It races along in direct testimony; Exhibit A, exhibit B, and so on. With this material McEvoy tells the swift tale of Dixie Dugan and her adventures, during a few months, with a greeting-card salesman, a South American tango and revolution man, a cave dweller from upper Wall Street, a ghost writer for the tabloid papers, a felonious assault, a night club, a kidnapping, a vaudeville sketch, alcohol as stimulant and opiate, love as an economic necessity, a habit and a grand sensation, and a musical comedy that is not so good in Atlantic City and a sell-out on Broadway.

Pausing not an instant for analysis or description, Mr. McEvoy creates a dozen characters who are flesh, foul and good red herring, and who are bolsterous, vulgar, funny. Miss Dugan's letters to her sister, Nita, and to Denny, the greeting card salesman who hopes to put across Mother Love in a big way, reveal her character with rowdy gusto. The excerpts from the Congressional Record of the United States give one in a few short pages an illuminating insight into the master minds who represent the people in that august assemblage.

"Show Girl" is too scintillating a bit of craftsmanship to be hilariously funny. It moves with feverish (Continued on page 12)

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THE BOOKSHELF

Paul Claudel

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his comrade carries back through the barbed wire."

The soldiers of the class of 1915 speak, they say—"It is in us that the bitter seed was sown, which had to be sown: it is in us that you saw that harvest grow and ripen, that harvest which is gathered in whispers."

Again France surveys the harvest gathered by the aged and the women, the tottering horses, the children, and says, "Love is heavier than hate, never an ear under the stroke of the flail that is not a loved one's life!"

Then the fallen ones speak and say—"Eat the bread that is made of our flesh. But who can receive the thing that we really gave . . . the impulse, beyond all, of giving one's life, like the creative impulse, suddenly irresistible and inevitable, spontaneous as the grace of God."

France speaks again of the endless fight on the unchanging line, "fight and prayer for a year on the self-same spot, agony for a year, and for a whole year God has not moved. . . The green blade has ripened into wheat, our only hope for tomorrow, this handful of grain, no other hold on God than these bodies like gold between our hands, the bodies of our fathers and our children, silent as God." Then she begins to estimate her gain, to count her capital, leaving aside all question of its future investment.

"If they had not died how should we have discovered truth at the bottom, that vital point which we call pain, the bitter waters of purification, no mere tears, but the very fount of life?" She surveys the bare reaped field—"If the whole harvest had not been reaped and ground, how could there have been so much room for God?" She sees how above the darkened, silent streets, whence the glare of the electric signs and the lights of the theatres have vanished, shine the eternal that they had sought to quench. Man has yielded his fields and now he cannot even defend his city and his house against the invasion of God. Then, as the poem rises to its noble climax, France cries out to God: "You have cost us too dear, that you should ever again do anything without us, without the heart that we have given you, the brothers that we have joined to your crown." She points to the bread and the wine which she has given Him, and cries: "This bread, this wine which you have accepted, they are ours! Between us it is no longer yours alone to give! In the great plan of your will moving on like some adventure we have now a personal interest, we have pledged ourselves to it . . . we have invested all in you!"

Then she closes with the word that since all has been given she has only one thing to say, "not in bare resignation, but with vehemence of desire like hunger—"Thy will be done."

A bare summary can only give the feeblest impression of the daring, the naked simplicity, style and matter alike stripped until each word seems like a living nerve. There is much else in Claudel's work that is of interest, but in this poem lives the spirit of the man.

Progress and Decline

"England: A History of British Progress from the Early Ages to the Present Day" by Cyril E. Robinson; Thomas Y. Crowell Company, New York; 892 pages and illustrations; \$5.00.

"The American Indian Frontier" by Wm. Christie MacLeod; Kegan Paul, London—Alfred A. Knopf, Longmans, Green, Toronto; 598 pages and maps.

BY J. A. CARLYLE.

AN American edition of Robinson's excellent four-volume History of England, which was recently published in London by Methuen & Company, is now made available, and the claim of the New York publishers that it is the most up-to-date and comprehensive single volume history of England now on the market is not extravagant. The author, as he tells us in his short preface, has had a three-fold aim: to arouse interest, to provide a sufficiency of historical facts, and to impress a clear-cut picture upon the reader's mind. To accomplish this he has avoided crowding his pages with minor characters and trivial side issues and has utilized the space so saved to an elaboration of the major events. That it is interesting there can be no question. My own experience may be that of others. On first picking up the book, I began to turn over the pages to get some idea of the "63 maps and plans and 24 plates," as a child might with a new illustrated story book, but it was not until some hours later that I had seen them all, for the noise of battle rolled along the hill of Senlac, the feathered shafts flew thick at

Crécy "nailing helmet to head," and once again the far-flung Armada swept majestically up the Channel. Twice told tales they were but tales worth the retelling and well told.

But it is not alone in his narrative passages that the author's ability is conspicuous. His powers of delineating character and his critical judgment are above the average. Of the four parts into which his work is divided the most profitable in many ways, is the last, which deals with the period since Waterloo and includes such topics as the use of labor as a political force, the growth and problems of Empire, the World War and the Peace Settlement. Considering that over fifty pages are devoted to the War it will appear a little strange that not a single sentence tells of Canada's part in the great conflict and only one makes reference to the Anzacs. The general statement that "the colonies were arming, ready and eager to take part in England's War" is not only inadequate but singularly unfortunate in its wording. There will be little quarrel with the generous space given to events on the Continent for British policy can only be understood in the light of European history.

Of the hundred pages at the back of the book devoted to detailed summaries, chronological tables, etc., the most valuable from the point of view of the general reader is the excellent list of suggested collateral reading. Librarians and teachers should find it must helpful in their work.

"THE American Indian Frontier" is one of the "History of Civilization" series produced under the general editorship of C. K. Ogden, M.A., of Magdalene College, Cambridge, the aim of which, impressive in its comprehensiveness, is to trace the development of civilization from earliest times (in the light of modern research). Of the ninety and more volumes that are promised, less than half have already been published.

The aim of the volume now under consideration is an analysis of the North American frontier history from the viewpoint of the Indian side, free from sentiment, from "the very irri-

tating idealization of the American Indian" and, one may add, from an equally irritating idealization of the land-hungry American frontiersmen, a large section of whom were "pre-disposed to villainy of all kinds." The writer's attitude towards the Indians is sympathetic; in fact, the Anglo-Saxon whites, more especially the Puritans of New England, play a sorry rôle in the blood-stained history of the frontier, much more so than do the Spaniards south of the Rio Grande. The reader leaves the book with a feeling of profound sadness for he has watched a proud and, contrary

to the generally accepted view, a numerous race, sink to impoverished degradation before an inept and ruthless Indian policy.

The volume contains a wealth of information regarding the social habits and political organization of the various tribes but it is the clash between a primitive stone-age people and an economically superior race that forms the main theme of the book.

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Additional Book Reviews

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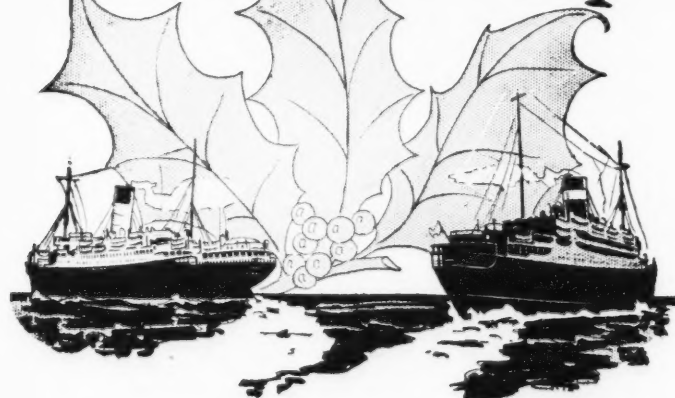
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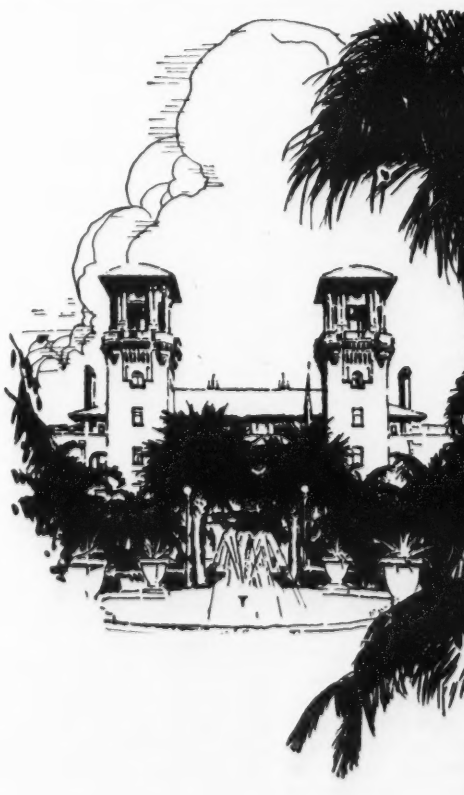
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MUSIC AND DRAMA

ing more secure in gesture and expression than in his patter which has few unusual qualities. Again, like the clown, he is always self-conscious, or perhaps audience-conscious is the better phrase. He plays directly to the house and never lets it forget for a moment that he is there to keep it amused and edified.

His best moments are as the tippling flower "girl" in "Old Times", a skit repeated from the last revue, as "Mrs. Mephisto" and as the methodical husband in "Habit." In the first and the last skits he is given excellent support by Marie Blanche, a fine comedienne and actress in her own right.

"Between Ourselves" judged as a whole is very fair entertainment. It lacks the compactness of the better-class revue and has several weak spots, but it has enough attractive qualities to make it more than ordinarily satisfying. While there are no lavish nor spectacular effects there are two lovely scenes, "Holland" and "Gretna Green" and a very pleasant number, "London Tower" in which the Hippodrome Eight, an octette of good-looking and nimble young women manoeuvre gracefully in colorful costumes. One of the pleasantest features of the show, so far as this reviewer was concerned, is the male quintet whose voices are infinitely su-

perior to those usually found in similar types of entertainment, particularly the basso of Robert Layton.

'Cellist with Toronto Symphony

The recent twilight recital of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra was particularly enjoyable, the orchestra being heard in advantageous selections and the guest artist revealing herself as a 'cellist of unmistakable gifts.

The orchestral program included Weber's overture to "Oberon," Wagner's "Traume" and the Massenet suite, "Scenes Pittoresques." The fresh lively elements of the "Oberon" overture are well-known and the Symphony emphasized these in a gratifying fashion, escaping any suggestion of the banal. At the opposite pole, musically speaking, was Wagner's "Traume," quiet in color and tuned to a thoughtful mood. This song was one of a group of five songs that Wagner wrote to Mathilde Wesendock's lyrics and was later used by him as a basis for the love music in the second act of "Tristan and Isolde." Its restrained loveliness was brought out very well by the orchestra. The performance of the Massenet Suite, which closed the program, if not always distinguished, was done with sincerity.

Miss Phyllis Krauter played with the Symphony Saint-Saens' Concerto for Violoncello and orchestra in A minor. This was the first of Saint-Saens' two concertos for 'cello and is perhaps one of the most frequently played of all concertos for this particular instrument. It is generous to the 'cellist and possesses in addition a pervasive theme of pleasant melodic appeal. Miss Krauter gave a vivid performance of the work, displaying a full tone, an unquestioned feeling for mood and color and a technical adeptness of great distinction.

Hal Frank

New Stock Company at the Victoria

Toronto's newest stock company, the Victoria Players, made its collective and individual bows to the town this week, and there appears to be every indication that the salutations will be returned with appreciative gusto. Replacing the musical comedy company which flourished during the earlier part of the season, the present Victoria Players, ninety per cent. of whom are new-

comers to Canada, bear all the earmarks of being exceedingly capable artists under efficient and skilful direction. Their initial achievement was one of the smoothest first nights ever accomplished in local stock, and no quality appears to be lacking which would ensure a successful and popular season.

More important than the unquestioned brilliance with which the initial offering—Avery Hopwood's light but sophisticated comedy, "Naughty Cinderella"—was handled, were those subtle touches which indicate that the entire cast has an understanding of the full requirements of the stage. Each and every member is at home before the footlights; there is no suspicion of hesitancy, but rather a genuine and appealing naturalness; the cohesion and ability to work together as shown on the opening night ranks with many a mid-season achievement of a well-welded organization. Individually, each of the players shows pleasing promise; the settings and costumes are elaborate and the direction efficient and smooth.

Miss Helen Kingsley, Toronto's newest leading lady, gives every evidence of rapidly accumulating an enthusiastic following. She is exceedingly good to look upon, has an appealing personality, a pleasing speaking voice, and the ability to wear clothes, and her work in the Hopwood play, which makes the utmost demand upon the star to carry the piece, was an undoubted hit. In support this week, but sharing honors with Miss Kingsley, is dainty, sparkling Viola Kane. It is not too much to predict that as the season progresses, Toronto theatre goers will take Miss Kane to

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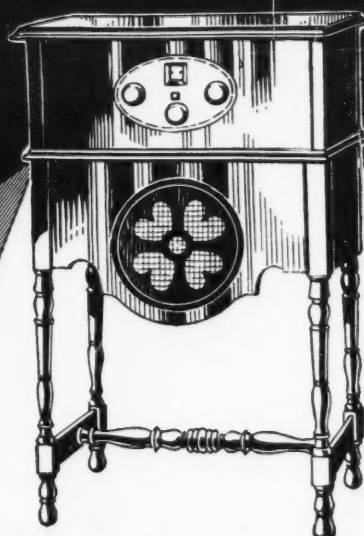
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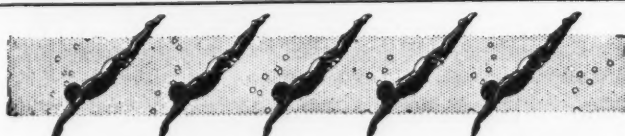
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THE BOOKSHELF

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speed, and the cryptic fluency of the tongue its characters use makes continual demands on the reader's mental agility. I note that many reviewers find in it satiric intention, but I feel that whatever satire is found is brought to "Show Girl" by the reader.

It is a book that might have been the cause of Whistler's observation that "Nature imitates Art", for much of the slang and patter of tomorrow are in it. Mr. McEvoy is no slavish transcriber of life and speech, but one of those who creates their models. The theory that there is a wide section of the American public which talks as McEvoy makes his people talk is an unwarranted compliment. If they did, they would be the wit-tiest and most engaging people on this planet. Personally, I am very fond of Americans, but they are neither of these things, \$100,000,000 in tourist revenues notwithstanding.

"Show Girl" should be borrowed, rented, or bought and read. Sooner or later all will be forced to read it, or see it in the movies, or sit through it as a musical comedy, or hear it over the radio. Why not get it over with early, and get on to something else?

All this is, of course, a personal opinion, and there are many people who will take care that the book is put somewhere where the children can't get at it.

An Argentine Prize Novel

"Stone Desert", by Hugo Wast, translated by Louis Lambert and Jacques le Clerq; Longmans Green, Toronto; 302 pages, \$2.50.

By B. K. SANDWELL.

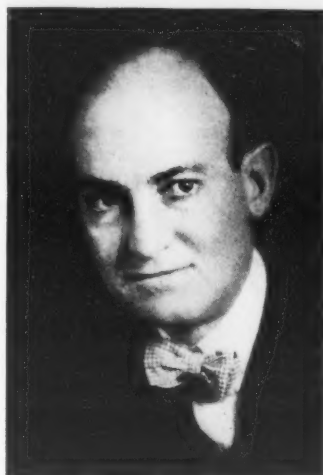
IT MIGHT be supposed that the qualities which procure for a novel the distinction of winning a \$30,000 Argentine National Prize for Literature would suffice to make the same novel an interesting piece of work for the English and American reader in a translated form. The supposition, however, is not a safe one. Indeed it is no safer than the supposition that the winner of a \$30,000 Canadian National Prize for Literature, if we had one, would be of any particular interest to the Argentinians.

"Stone Desert" is a story of life in the more remote and impoverished part of the cattle range country of the Argentine. There is a vast amount of detail of little incidents in which the violent deaths of animals and the deep potations of their guardians are the most frequent subjects. A certain vivid realism in the handling of these, to the Argentinian, familiar scenes was probably the chief reason for the selection of this book by the competition judges; but the book is written for those to whom such matters, and the technical language concerning them, have no strangeness, and it assumes much knowledge which the foreigner cannot possess.

There is hardly any plot to the story. The chief character is a young woman who, though brought up in the city, develops marked ability in the management of a cattle ranch. She is loved by two men, one the harmless son of a poor farmer, the other a man who has just returned from twenty years imprisonment for decapitating his wife. The main scene of the novel is that in which the murderer, having decided to abduct the heroine, forces the door of her ranch house in the absence of her father and gets his foot within the opening while the women and small boys of the household endeavor to keep him out. Armed with a pair of scissors, Marcela, the heroine, jabs him on the foot, each stroke passing right through the boot, wedged between the door and the jamb.

The grandmother and the boys continued to pray, while Marcela, with amazing calm, did not omit a single response to the solemn litany. Little by little Roque Carpio's roaring abated. Not a vein in his foot but had been pierced by the implacable scissors as they passed through his boot. A pool of warm blood was soaking Marcela's knees. An hour went by. Two hours. No one thought of measuring that eternity. At last they heard the noise of the body falling like the crash of a mighty tree.

Such are life and death in the remote Argentine. The translation, while apparently correct, is not very idiomatic English, which is not surprising, seeing that it is the work of Louis Lambert and Jacques le Clerq. The choice of translators by publishers is one of the outstanding mysteries of literary commerce. It is annoying to read such statements as: "He was beginning to miss the defection of his nephew Midas"; "It required a very special and marvel-



HUGO WAST
Author of "Stone Desert."

lous soundness of spirit to endure the harsh confinement of the desolate, pitiless mountains, without falling crushed like a worm under the hoof of a buffalo."

Much a Do About Nothing

"All These Conspirators" by Christopher Isherwood; Cape-Nelson, Toronto; 255 pages; price \$2.00.

By J. L. RUTLEDGE

WE CAN'T help wondering why family bickering should ever have been given permanence within the covers of a book. There might be circumstances that would justify it—character presentation, dramatic moments, some leaven of cheerfulness and humour, but Christopher Isherwood has carefully removed all these qualities that might have made his book bearable. "All the Conspirators" may be a clear enough presentation of an ingrown family life, but when one has read with faithful assiduity all of its two hundred and fifty-five pages in the steadily fading hope that something of real interest might happen, one is left with the amazed wonder why Mr. Jonathan Cape ever considered it worthy

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of a minor immortality within the covers of a book.

There appears to be only one character with any agreeable qualities. Joan sometimes emerges as a faintly pathetic figure covering a sensitive dread of her dull surroundings with a petulant acerbity. Her adoration of Philip, her brother, leaves one rather cold, he so decidedly wasn't worth it.

The story turns about Philip and the job he relinquished because he found it tiresome, and because he had an idea that he had gifts as a writer and a painter. Mrs. Lindsay, his mother, who is undoubtedly the villain of the piece is obsessed with the idea that Philip should not have given up a good job to follow the leadings of a very doubtful talent. She would appear to have certain rights on her side as she was supporting Philip, but oh, the bother that arises out of it all.

The lost job, and the fact that Philip ultimately has to go back to it, is elevated to the character of high tragedy and the lives of the small circle of the family, plus one or two other characters, are all coloured by the systematic bickerings over the colossal injustice of expecting Philip to do what he didn't particularly care to do.

The writer has struggled with some diligence to discover one reason why this book should have progressed beyond the manuscript stage. Was it because of its style? Undoubtedly that has some character of uniqueness. Its staccato telling, the puzzling way in which you jump around from one scene to another, never quite certain whether you are in Kensington or Cambridge, never quite sure whether one of the characters is talking or whether the rambling comments happen to be only rambling thoughts. It's all quite a bit cloudy; a maze of words that needs the most careful construing if you are to follow with any intelligence, and when you have followed you find yourself in a rather arid morass of words shot through with occasional flashes of brilliance and daring. But there is not enough of it to overcome the amazing dullness of its scene. It leads you on, tantalizing you with the feeling that after all this tiresome talk something must happen to justify the book. If it did the reviewer must have missed it in the smother of words. The jacket explains the title: "The members of such a family exist only as conspirators plotting daily against each other and themselves." Well, let it go at that though conspirators is a robust word that seems to suggest more than the book provides. In conclusion, the reviewer had to read this book but you are under no such compulsion.

All these Conspirators by Christopher Isherwood, Jonathan Cape and Thos. Nelson & Sons, Toronto, 255 pages, \$2.00.

Mystery and Crime

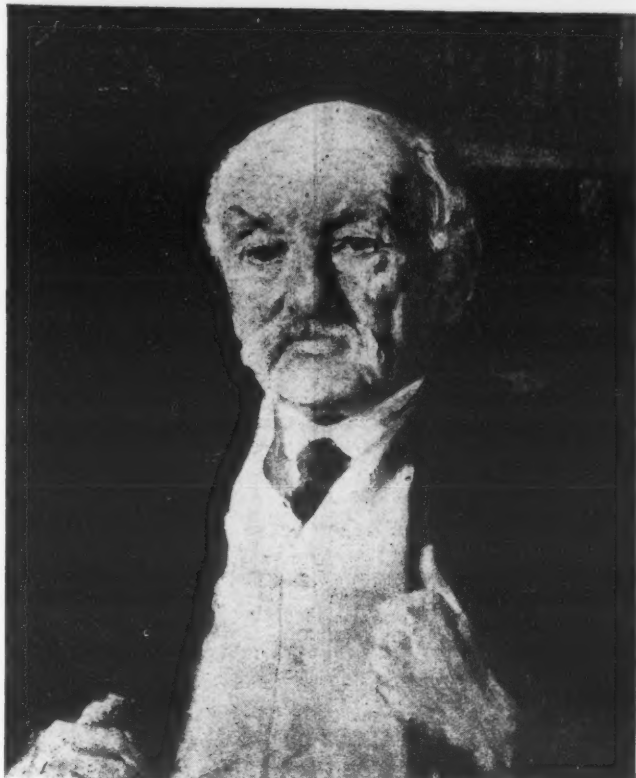
"The Havering Plot", by Richard Keverue, Macmillan, Toronto; \$2.00.

By P. E. THORNELOE

WE ARE reminded of war time and the flood of spy stories which were written both then and afterwards by this book of Richard Keverue. Those who read "William Cook, Antique Dealer" know how well the author can weave a clever plot and the new story is quite as thrilling.

The making of a hush-hush aeroplane at Havering, on the coast somewhere, a privately designed machine by Englishmen, and the stealing of the designs by German spies, is the subject of the plot. The English designer, Gale, had been lent Havering by the government, to finish the job, but the parts were being made as was done with the first tanks, scattered here and there all over the country. Wherever they went someone was after them, perverting the men and securing designs of the parts. When one fine young man who had been thought beyond reproach, shot himself following the discovery of designs, Gurney the chief of safety arrangements all along the line came a cropper from nervous strain, and Sir Septimus Braith, who during the war had been the great leader of one of the coolest and cleverest of a daring band of Intelligence Officers on special counter espionage, had been appealed to for assistance. Although eight years retired with a K.C.B., events proved that the shrewd old warrior had not lost his cunning.

There is almost no shooting nor violent deaths in the book, the plot moving excitingly without these high lights. Towards the end the reader is greatly puzzled to know whether any man in it is himself or someone else, and sympathizes with Luke Bishop, one of the long shore men provided by General Braith, who after the discovery of a wonderful impersonation said: "O Gawd! Well,



THOMAS HARDY
Who will be discussed in next week's Christmas Literary Supplement in connection with his latest volume of verse and also a biography.

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By JEAN GRAHAM.

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After all the excitement of the Canadian book week it is soothing to read: "one man's poetry is another man's poison" and "words are but wind, and books but windbags."

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Literati

IN THESE busy days many men and women like to buy their books upon the advice of an expert or a board of experts. The success of the Book of the Month Club in the States, which has over 80,000 subscribers, and of the Literary Guild, with over 50,000, to say nothing of other book clubs, such as the Prime Book Club, The Religious Book of the Month Club, and so on, seems to have caught the minds of Canadians.

For nearly a year now the Carillon Book Club of Canada, of Ottawa, has been steadily building up a membership list of people who buy their books on the Book of the Month Club plan. The Carillon Book Club chooses and supplies none but Canadian books, that is to say, books written by Canadian men and women. Under the Carillon imprint such books have been distributed thus far this year as Frederick Philip Grove's "A Search for America," the Rt. Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King's "The Message of the Carillon," Prof. Watson Kirkconnell's "Elegies," and "Canadian Short Stories," edited by Raymond Knister, is being sent out this month. The November book of the month is to be "PeeVee," a posthumous novel by the late Fred Jacob, while in December Howard Angus Kennedy's "Un-sought Adventure" is likely to be the book selection. Thus the Carillon Book Club does not confine itself to

any particular publisher, but draws the soundest Canadian work from the whole range of Canadian publishing.

The Consultant Committee, which chooses and recommends to the subscribers the books to be supplied, consists of the Hon. Martin Burrell, Librarian of Parliament, Ottawa; Hector Charlesworth, the Managing Editor of "Saturday Night"; Miss Ella J. Reynolds ("Jenny Wren"), of the "Ham-

ilton Spectator"; Professor Pelham Edgar, of Victoria College, Toronto; Bernard K. Sandwell, of Montreal, and Ernest W. Harrold of the "Ottawa Citizen," Ottawa.

The President of the Carillon Book Club, who is the Secretary to the Consultant Committee, is Charles C. Knight, Ottawa.

THE Women's Canadian Club of Toronto have announced a literary competition for 1928-9.

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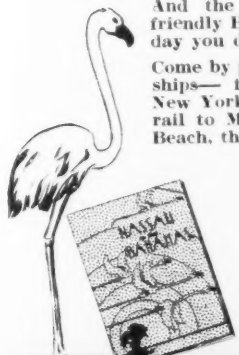
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MUSIC AND DRAMA

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their hearts. She is an ingenue of more than usual charm and an exceedingly clever comedienne. Jean Hartree will no doubt be seen in more dramatic roles, along which lines her talents seem to lie.

Ernest Woodward, the leading man of the company, is a native of Eastern Ontario, who is returning to Canada after many years across the border, and his experience seems to have fitted him well for the premier role in Canadian stock. Edward Blaine, the juvenile, Louis Scott, the "heavy," Jack Soanes, the "character man," and Leslie Thomas, who is also assistant director of the company, together with Rupert MacLeod who is well known locally, complete an exceedingly well-balanced company.

"Naughty Cinderella," the opening vehicle, is a smart continental comedy of the "Cardboard Lover" type, light, fast-moving, with the usual bedroom appurtenances, but packed with sparkling humor. Its choice for the new company is a happy one, since it introduces them in good-humored roles, and is, moreover, good entertainment. Practically the sole criticism which can be made of the piece is the introduction of the usual efforts which are indescribably painful.

Under the energetic ballyhoo of Director Claude Miller, the members of the company were introduced to Monday night audiences, and out of character, each appeared to possess an appealing charm of manner. Mr. Woodward's brief speech in particular, being a gem of good nature. Time alone, of course, will tell what future awaits the newcomers in Toronto, but it can be reported faithfully that seldom has the city seen a more auspicious opening.

—H. W. McE.

"The Shannons of Broadway" is nothing if not versatile. From "Pickwick" to "Whispering Friends" and from "The Shannons of Broadway," this week's offering, to the "Queen Victoria" of next week, presents pretty big strides, but the capable Empire players take them in a manner that indicates complete ability to deal with any demands that may be made upon them.

"The Shannons of Broadway" is the complete antithesis of "Pickwick" and "Queen Victoria." It is a drama of everyday people in a small town setting—of types that everyone knows or thinks he knows. Mickey Shannon and Emma Shannon, vaudeville actors out of work but with some savings against the rainy day, buy a country hotel at which they have been refused accommodation and settle down to operate it. Their attempts to put their property and their staff—notably the dining-room girl, Minerva, played by Deirdre Doyle—on a business basis, provide a good deal of humor. Hearing that the railway company is planning to make the town a junction point and that a government aviation field is to be located there, Mrs. Shannon (Marjorie Foster) unknown to her husband expends the remainder of their small capital on options on surrounding lands. A hitch develops, the money seems lost, and the Shannons prepare to return to vaudeville. At the end, of course, the villain is foiled and all ends happily for the Shannons. Marjorie Foster, as Mrs. Shannon, and Robert Leslie, as her husband Mickey, carry the major burden of the play and do so in a very able and successful manner. Both are entirely convincing. They throw themselves wholeheartedly into their parts and succeed in "putting over" the play in a rather striking way. As those who are familiar with the Empire company know, Deirdre Doyle possesses unusual abilities as a character actress and her representation of Minerva, the truculent dining-room girl, is a positive joy. Another who contributes largely to the success of the piece is Hugh Symington as Eddie Allen, while the supporting members of the cast make a good impression. Altogether, "The Shannons of Broadway" is well done and amusing and may be seen with the enjoyment by those who like this type of entertainment.

—P. M. R.

ELLEN BALLON, Canadian pianist, plays "Saint-Saens' Second Concerto in G Minor for piano and orchestra at the Toronto Symphony Orchestra's twilight concert next Tuesday, November 27th, at 5.15. Ellen Ballon needs no heralding. Her successes as soloist with symphony orchestras of the first rank and as a recital artist in Europe and America are well known. The orchestra plays Brahms Symphony No. 3 in F Major, and the Hungarian March of Berlioz. The Toronto Symphony Orchestra will be honored on this occasion by having as their distinguished guests their Excellencies the Governor-General of Canada and Viscountess Willingdon and Mrs. William D. Ross. It is suggested that tickets should be purchased early for this concert and Association Members are asked to kindly take their seats as early as possible.

FLORENCE Hood, violinist, and Harriet Prutsman, pianist, both of Montreal, are appearing in a Sonata recital at the Toronto Conservatory Concert Hall on Wednesday evening, December 5th. Miss Hood is the founder and leader of the Montreal String Quartet, while Miss Prutsman is one of the most brilliant pupils of Ernest Hutcheson and Rudolf Ganz. Their program will include sonatas by Vitali-Raspighi; John Ireland and Karol Szymanowski.

THE next concert given under the auspices of the Women's Musical Club at the Toronto Conservatory of Music Hall on Nov. 29th at 3 p.m., is being looked forward to with a great deal of interest. The artist is Joseph Lautner, the talented young American tenor who has been meeting with a great deal of success on the concert platform. Mr. Lautner, it will be remembered, sang in Toronto last Christmas in the "St. Matthew Passion" at Convocation Hall. He promises an attractive program for his coming recital in Toronto.

A HIGHLY attractive recital was given by Madam Nina de Gedeonoff (Baroness Rebinder) at Hart House Theatre on Saturday, Nov. 17. Madam de Gedeonoff, who is now a resident of Toronto, was formerly with the Imperial opera of St. Petersburg, Russia. She sings with a great deal of distinction and her interpretative and emotional gifts were unmistakably revealed in a program which included Tchaikowski's "Jeanne D'Arc," "Olga's Aria" ("Eugen Onegin"), Gretchen's "On the Steppe," "The Captive," and Rachmaninoff's "Sorrow in Spring" and "Floods of Spring." Mrs. W. B. Woods gave Madam de Gedeonoff excellent assistance at the piano and several charming pianistic interludes were provided by Mrs. Hamilton Cassels, junior.

AN ORIGINAL opera, "L'Intendant Bigot," the work of Mr. J. U. Voyer of Montreal, is to be produced in that city on January eighth. Mr. Voyer is reported to be a recent musical discovery and Mr. W. Pelletier, Chef d'orchestre, the Metropolitan Opera, New York, has written to Mr. Voyer concerning the opera: "Have carefully examined your work and may say that it is a great and pleasant surprise to me. You write music so easily that in my opinion writers of your kind are exceptionally rare." M. Voyer has spent over ten years working on the opus. Its production will be looked forward to with a great deal of interest.

ANOTHER great theatrical success "That Girl Patsy" has been chosen as the attraction of the Victoria Playhouse for the second week's offering at the Victoria Theatre.

In the part of Patsy, which she is to appear in next week in the presentation of the new comedy success "That Girl, Patsy," by Sumner Nichols, Miss Helen Kingsley, charming leading lady of the players, will be seen in one of the most delightful stage characters which has been seen here in many months. Patsy is a lovable, whimsical product of the east side of New York; a young girl in whom is all the irresistible humor, quaint logic, and uncontrollable devilment of such a character. Playing opposite to Miss Kingsley, is Ernest Woodward. The supporting cast consists of Jean Hartree, Louis Scott, Edward Blaine, Viola Kane, Helen Robinson, and Jack Soanes. The company is under direction of Claude Miller. No expense will be spared by the management in staging this show on as an elaborate scale as it was in New York. There will be matinees Wednesday, Thursday and Saturdays.

"Q SHIPS" is to be presented at the Princess Theatre, for a limited engagement beginning next Monday evening. "Q Ships" tells for the first time the amazing story of the mystery ships which did so much toward ending the German U-boat menace during the Great War.

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AN EVENT of considerable interest to the many admirers of Madame Jeanne Dusseau will be her recital in Hart House Theatre on Monday evening, December third. For this occasion Madame Dusseau will have the

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assistance at the piano of Alfred LaLiberte of Montreal and New York and one feature of the programme will be the exquisitely lovely group of "Rossini" songs harmonized by him especially for Madame Dusseau. These songs will have their first performance in Toronto, although they were, according to one critic, the "piece de resistance" of the Quebec festival as sung there by Madame Dusseau. The flute and viola obligatos for this group will be provided by Arthur Semple and Milton Blackstone. A group of six songs by Nicolas Medtner, never before sung in America, and said to be especially interesting in both voice and piano arrangement, will be featured on the programme. There will also be the remarkable "Sonata Vocalise" for voice and piano, sung for the first time anywhere. Medtner, with whom Madame Dusseau coached these songs during the past summer, was so impressed with her lovely voice and altogether satisfying performance of his difficult compositions, has expressed a wish that she should be associated with him in his recitals in America next season.

THE production of "Queen Victoria" by the New Empire Company next week will be, we feel sure, an achievement of which all concerned will feel proud.

For, be it known, "Queen Victoria" will be faultlessly staged, with an eye to both historical and entertainment values. Thus would it seem that the New Empire Company is starting the second season at the Empire by producing three unusual and what is considered non-commercial productions ("The Prime Minister," "Pickwick," and now "Queen Victoria"), all before the holidays.

You will say when you see Anne Carew as "Queen Victoria," she deserves much credit for the success of the production. Frank E. Camp as Lord Palmerston will add another important piece of stage characterization to his long list of successes. Edmund Abbey, of course, will enact "Disraeli," and Percy Dean will play Gladstone. Deirdre Doyle will be well fitted as the Duchess of Kent, the Queen's mother, and Robert Leslie should be ideal as the Prince Consort. The cast is a long one; other important roles will be undertaken by Frances Dade, Grace Webster, Edward Harvey, Hugh Symington, Jack Holland, Robert Thompson and Raymond Card.

LATE last Saturday afternoon Bernard Preston, manager of the Canadian Concert Bureau, received the following telegram from R. E. Johnston, Freida Hempel's New York manager: "Hempel, indisposed, begs you to postpone to November 26, will mail you refund for expenses incurred. Please postpone reservations at King Edward Hotel, greatly appreciate your kindness." In accordance with this the recital of the famous singer has been set forward one week, taking place on Monday, November 26, instead of last Monday. Tickets now in the hands of purchasers will be honored, and in the meantime the seat sale will continue daily at Massey Hall, as well as at the offices of the Canadian Concert Bureau, 195 Yonge Street. The programme to be given by this great singer will include: "Oh, Had I Jubal's Lyre," Haendel; "My Lovely Celia," Monroe; "I'd be a Butterfly," Baily; "Dashing White Sergeant," Bishop; "Wohin," and "Jungling an der Quelle," Schubert; "Er ist gekommen," Franz; Aria, "Casta Diva," from "Norma," and "Come per ne sereno," from "Sonnambula," Bellini; "Irish Lullaby," Needham; "Charlie is my Darling" (Scotch); "La petite Jaenneton," (Old French); "Coucou, canari jaloux," Neuchatel; "Lauterbach," (Alsacian). Miss Hempel will be accompanied by that fine pianist, Kurt Ruhrseltz, who has at times accompanied the celebrated violinist, Joseph Szigeti, and who will play a group of solos including Rhapsody, opus 79, Brahms.

GEZA DE KRESZ, Hungarian violinist and leader of the Hart House String Quartet announces his only Toronto recital for this season at Hart House Theatre on Friday evening, December 7th, when he will have the



LOU TELLEGEN
Well-known stage star who will appear at the Hippodrome Theatre next week in a playlet.

ated that a London idol of such magnitude could not be expected to remain away for too long a period. It is therefore not with dismay but with the hope that he will return next year that Canadian and American audiences witness his present departure.

Mr. Colbourne, whose venture as a producer of Shavian repertoire has met with the most marked and gratifying success, and who is at present playing to tremendous acclaim in the Western States, has further strengthened his company with the presence of Mr. Barry Jones, one of the most popular young Englishmen who has ever played in Canada.

Mr. Barry Jones joined the company in Seattle, having turned down several flattering New York offers. He comes back to Canada fresh from a Broadway triumph as the inimitable Mago in "The Road to Rome" with great success.

While Mr. Colbourne's own work, notably Marchbanks in "Candida" and Juggins in "Fanny's First Play", has been receiving the major part of the reviewers' praises. Mr. Colbourne will feature Mr. Jones prominently, sharing with him what would be star parts if Mr. George Bernard Shaw was given to writing star parts.

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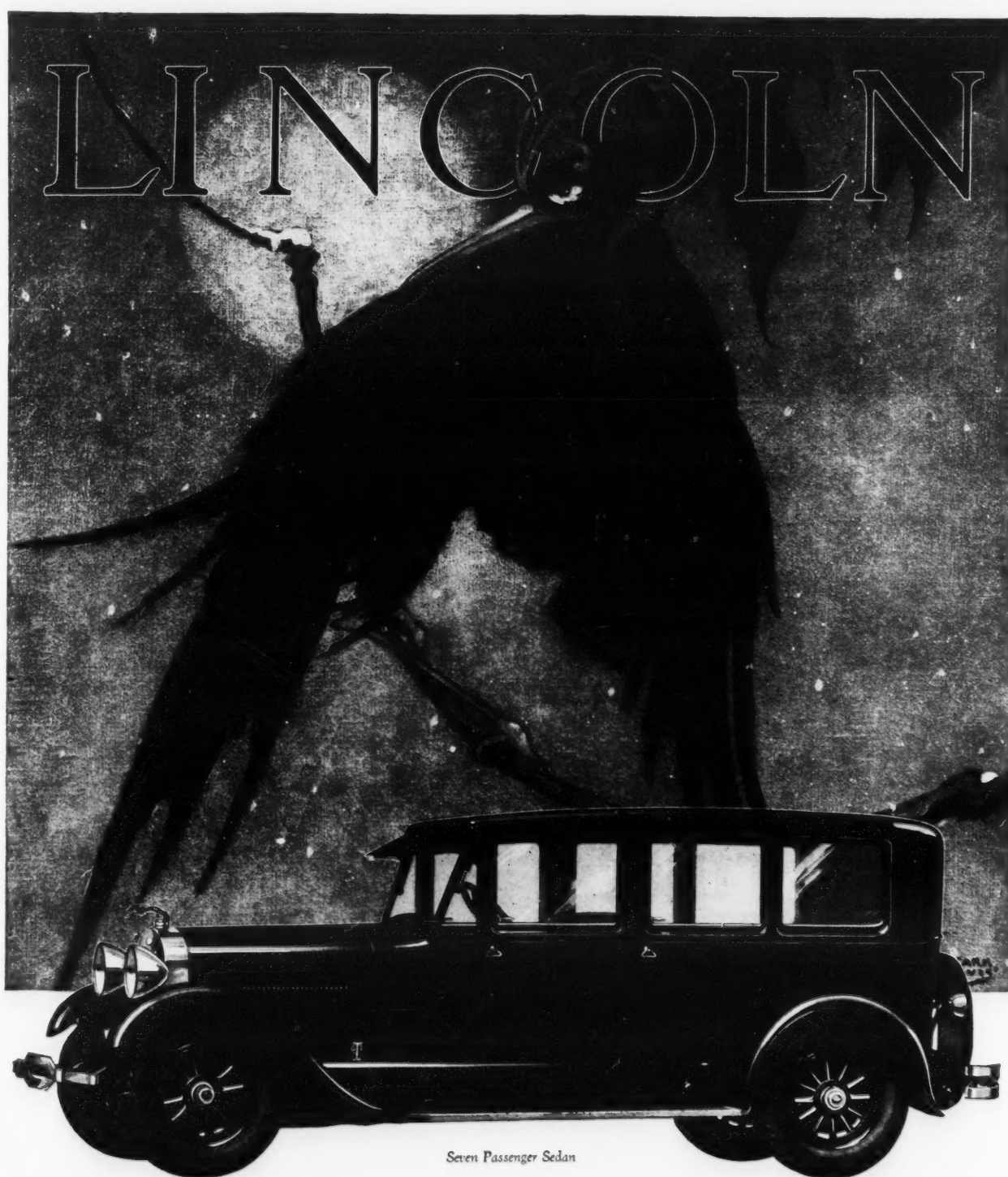
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Campaign Against "Colds"

CHICAGO is mobilizing its health forces in a campaign against the common cold.

Announcing that colds cost the city of Chicago more than \$20,000,000 a year in the field of industry alone, Dr. Arnold H. Kegel, Chicago Health Commissioner, joined forces with members of the Chicago Medical Society to promote a "No-Cold" Club.

Dr. Kegel plans to enroll all interested business men, as well as members of women's clubs, welfare organizations, Parent-Teachers' Associations and school children into this organization for the purpose of instructing them in the latest scientific knowledge on colds and how to prevent them.

Colds, according to Dr. Kegel, in addition to causing large economic losses through lost time and inefficiency of workers, are a starting point of more dangerous diseases like tuberculosis, pneumonia and influenza.

In reviewing the situation in a recent bulletin published by the Chicago Health Department, Dr. Kegel stated:

1. The contagious factor; passing it on from one to another.
2. Lowered bodily resistance.
3. Overheating and uneven room temperatures.
4. Insufficient humidity.
5. Fatigue or lack of exercise.
6. Improper diet.
7. Irregular bowel movements.
8. Irritant dust and smoke.
9. Lack of sleep.

Modern medicine, the bulletin continues, recognizes two kinds of colds—the cold you "catch" from others and the cold you take even though no one around you has one. Evidence supporting the contagion theory is found in recent medical work. It is reported that colds have been transferred from one individual to another, experimentally by "swabbing" a healthy person's throat with secretions from a person who had a cold. Various vaccines have been prepared and persons apparently in good health, without nose and throat infections, were inoculated. The result showed that these people developed a higher degree of immunity against colds, and this would not be possible if certain germs were not present when we get a cold.

Lowered resistance, is another important factor and may be caused by such conditions as fatigue, loss of sleep, improper diet and focal infections. Dr. Volney S. Cheney, after many years of investigation, believes that colds result from an acid condition of the body, or a decrease in the alkaline reserve of the body. He explains that hyperacidity, as this condition is called, destroys or weakens the "first line of defense" against colds. To overcome this condition he gives alkalis, such as sodium bicarbonate or citrocarbonate, in sufficient quantity to restore the normal alkalinity.

ity of the body. His experience indicates that many colds may be stopped in their early stages by this method.

Overheating, the bulletin states, stands foremost among the environmental conditions as a cause of colds. The remarkable studies of Dr. C. E. A. Winslow of the New York Commission on Ventilation, extending over a long period, show that an increase of 20 degrees F. above the correct normal room temperature brought a 70 per cent. increase in ailments of the nose and throat. They also found that in a room at 75 degrees F. people did 15 per cent less work than in a room at 68 degrees F.

"A temperature in excess of 68 degrees F." Dr. Winslow points out, "exerts direct and important effects on circulation, causing increase in body temperature, a rise in heart rate and a fall in vaso-motor efficiency, markedly increasing susceptibility to respiratory diseases."

Thermostatic control of heating plants is advised by Dr. Winslow; while other medical authorities such as Dr. Thos. D. Wood, Columbia University make special mention of room thermostats equipped with clock control, as one of the best means to prevent overheating in homes and buildings.

This has been deemed so important that Chicago has passed a special ordinance, regulating the heating of apartment houses. It requires that heat be furnished from October 1 to June 1, and that the following temperatures be maintained:

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"Runs in the Family"



POOR OLD souls! They think that bent backs and knotted hands are inevitable at their age. If only they had known they could have prevented the misery of what they call "rheumatism."

For centuries all sorts of pains and aches have been charged to rheumatism. A stiff shoulder was rheumatism. A crippled arm was rheumatism. A creaking knee was rheumatism. But now authorities agree that the term "rheumatism" should be discarded and that "rheumatic diseases" should be separated into two main divisions. In the first and more important division is placed Acute Rheumatic Fever. In the second Chronic Arthritis.

Dance is one indication. So-called "growing pains" are another—it does not hurt to grow. Frequent attacks of tonsillitis may be a source of rheumatic infection. Protect your children from this menace to life and health. Have their throats, noses and mouths examined twice a year so that any possible condition which threatens acute rheumatic fever may be corrected.

Chronic Arthritis— A Rheumatic Disease

While acute rheumatic fever is caused only by a germ, chronic arthritis, which means "inflammation of a joint," may come from one of many causes. An injury to a joint, faulty posture, improper diet, the poisons from infectious diseases, germs from diseased tonsils, teeth, gall bladder, appendix or intestines—these are some of the causes.

Unless effective measures are taken to check the disease, chronic arthritis may progress to a state in which the victim is totally crippled and painfully deformed. That is just what happened in days gone by when the disease was not understood.

At the first signs of arthritis—stiff neck, lumbago, stiffness or creaking of the joints—have an expert search for the source of the trouble. Avoid needless suffering.

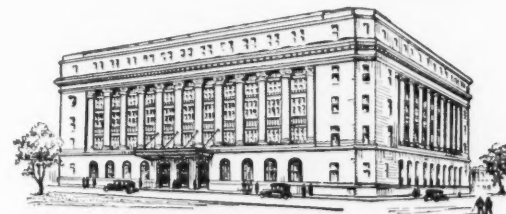
Rheumatic fever is the greatest known menace to the health of the heart, and heart disease causes more deaths every year in the United States and Canada than any other disease.

In a study lasting more than a year and covering 571,000 workers of both sexes and all ages, the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company learned that of all the diseases causing loss of time from work "rheumatic diseases" head the list.

A survey conducted in England showed that among 91,000 working people of all ages and of both sexes, no less than one-sixth of the total "sick absences" during a year was due to "rheumatic diseases." And this was exclusive of loss of time due to heart disease developing from rheumatic fever that had occurred during the childhood or youth of these workers.

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A Canadian Girl in Far Off Persia

Life in the Oil Fields of the East

By VICTOR LAURISTON

AUGUST is hot and sultry in the flat low lands of Sunny Southwestern Ontario. The thriving little industrial town of Tilbury, on No. 2 provincial highway, experiences some baking hot days. But to a sunbrowned Canadian girl visiting her old Tilbury home after five years' of absence, Tilbury on the hottest of midsummer days is just comfortable.

For Elizabeth Hyatt McElphatric is accustomed to the tropic heat of the Persian Gulf, where, from June till August, the temperature ranges from 110 to 130 in the shade, and from May to October there is not a drop of rainfall and seldom a cloud in the sky.

"Just the same, it's worth it," says the sunbrowned Canadian girl. "After one of those torrid days on the Gulf, the beautiful sunsets on the Persian hills is a sight—well, a sight to challenge description. And there's always coming home, some day, to think of. You enjoy coming home all the more for being away in a land so different. The Canadian who just says here doesn't appreciate Canada."

After years of absence, to this Canadian girl, Tilbury is still home.

More than twenty years ago, Tilbury threatened to become an oil metropolis. The oil field a few miles south, at Fletcher, was going strong. Oil was booming. American operators flocked into the new field, with its promise of liquid gold. And in the wake of American operators came American drillers. One of these drillers, in the latter days of the Tilbury field, was George McElphatric. Pennsylvania was his home state, but the world was his oyster, to be opened with the drill.

McElphatric drilled long enough in the Tilbury field to rank in the eyes of everyone who knew him as a Canadian driller. He stayed long enough, too, to win a Canadian bride in Elizabeth Hyatt. And then, when the drilling business fell on evil days, so far as the Tilbury field is concerned, George McElphatric journeyed, again and again, to the far-flung oil fields of the romantic Orient.

Which is why, for the past five years, though Mrs. McElphatric still called Canada home, she has been making her residence within hiking distance of Solomon's Temple, under the blue and cloudless Persian skies. Mr. McElphatric is still there. Not long ago the Anglo-Persian Oil Company decided to test out a new field 300 miles up the Persian Gulf, just off Bushire. It was wild country, with none of the comforts of civilization. To take his wife there would subject her to endure all manner of hardships.

So Mrs. McElphatric snatched the opportunity to travel 10,000 miles and see Canada again for a few months—with a second 10,000 mile return journey to Persia as a climax to her too-brief holiday.

In the little white colony at Masjid-I-Suleiman, Mrs. McElphatric played a unique role. There are some 300 white workers in the Persian fields, and some 50 of these brought their wives to the Orient. But all the other women were either English or Scotch. Though a number of the drillers are Canadians, Mrs. McElphatric was the only Canadian woman in the Persian fields.

More than that, she was the only American woman—being an American by virtue of her marriage. So that to her fell the arduous task of upholding the glory, not merely of Canada, but likewise of the United States.

How she did that in one notable particular will develop later in the story.

The Persian oil field is one of the world's greatest. Opened shortly before the Great War, its possession was one of the most vital stakes of the Anglo-Turkish campaigns in the Far East.

Canadian oil operators, accustomed to bitter disappointments, would surely enjoy developing a field of the same sort in Canada. For dry holes are extremely rare, producing wells are the rule, and the wells are big producers. The average well exceeds 1,000 barrels a day, and some of them are enormous. The drilling depth varies from 2,500 to 3,500 feet, depending upon the location in the hilly country.

A pipe line runs from the field to Abadan on the Persian Gulf, a distance of 225 miles. There the crude oil is partly refined; after which tank steamers transport it to the great Anglo-Persian Oil Company refinery at Swansea. A hundred tank steamers are continuously employed in handling the Anglo-Persian oil-trade. Two absorption plants, the first installed by a Californian expert bearing the prosaic American name of Hicks, provide gasoline for the company's use in the field.

Apparently the Persian oil field, great as it is, is merely in its infancy. For our Pennsylvania-Canadian, McElphatric, drilling in the new territory off Bushire, has already opened four big producing wells. And 300 miles of potential producing territory lie between these two proven fields.

In the early days, development work was slow and frequently interrupted. Every time a breakdown occurred the drillers had to laboriously improvise repairs. Quite often it was necessary to send thousands of miles, to England or the United States, for repair parts. Today the Anglo-Persian Oil Company has, right in the field, one of the most complete workshops in the world. If a repair part is wanted, it can be had at a moment's notice; if a piece of machinery is needed, it can be manufactured almost immediately. Skilled mechanics from England and America are employed in these shops.

The 300 white workers in the Persian fields are captains of a mighty host. Approximately 20,000 native Persians or Indians are employed by the company as helpers in one capacity and another. The wage scale is an interesting exhibit. It runs from 3 krans to 15 krans a day.

The Persian krans is worth ten cents—the price of a hot-dog at a tourist stand on one of the Ontario provincial highways. So that the native Persian intelligent enough to do ordinary oil-field work gets the price of three hot dogs as a day's pay. The chap who draws down the munificent wage of 15 krans, the equivalent of \$1.50 in Canadian money, is no slouch. He is pretty much of an expert. These wages are, however, supplemented by free houses.



MISS JEAN MACLEAN
Debutante daughter of Mr. Justice A. K. MacLean and Mrs. MacLean, of Ottawa.
—Photo by Paul Horsdal.



MISS BETTY YOUNG
Debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Young, of Ottawa.
—Photo by Paul Horsdal.



MISS MARGARET BOYD
Debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Boyd, of Ottawa.
—Photo by Paul Horsdal.



MISS MARY BROPHY
Debutante daughter of Mrs. Arthur Brophy, of Ottawa.
—Photo by Paul Horsdal.

ing. The company provides the housing for all its workers.

The oil development has, however, distinctly raised the standard of living for a good many Persians. When the first drilling was started, Persian labor could be hired for as little as two cents a day. And, according to one Canadian driller of that period, "Our only trouble was to get Persian labor that was worth it." There has been distinct improvement, alike in earning power and in wages, since then.

The Anglo-Persian Oil Company furthermore provides a large school, where the numerous children of its native workers are taught English and Persian by properly qualified teachers.

"What about white children?" is asked. According to Mrs. McElphatric, the schooling of the white children isn't a problem yet. The oldest white child in the colony is barely six; and there are only 18 white children altogether.

Maidun-I-Naftun, "the center of the oil field," has everything that goes with modern life in a civilized community. It was not always thus. When the oil field work started, the still barbarous hill tribes in the surrounding territory were a source of nervousness to timid folk. The tide of the Great War flowed pretty close to the field at times. Mrs. McElphatric however saw Persia only in the more peaceful modern days.

The Anglo-Persian Oil Company provides rather elaborately for its white workers. For single men, a clubhouse; for each married couple a thick-walled bungalow of stone. The thick walls make for coolness. Each married couple is also provided with four native servants. A plenitude of servants is one of the features of life in the tropic east.

Tinned goods furnish the backbone of the oil-field menu. Tinned goods are indeed consumed in quantities that would astonish even an American housewife. Variety is lent to the bill of fare by native-grown fruits and vegetables. From Bagdad come grapes, dates, figs, oranges and bananas. Ice-cold water is available the year round. It is drawn from the Karum river, a mountain stream, a pumping station at the river delivering the water to the oil field. As safeguard against interruptions to the water supply, large emergency storage tanks are provided in the field itself.

Hospital service is provided by the company. It is free, to workers and their families. The hospital is well equipped, staffed with capable British physicians, surgeons and nurses; a dental parlor, which also provides free service in the hands of experts, is another feature of the provision made by the company for its workers on this far frontier of Oildom.

There is a public library also, where papers from all parts of the world are on file.

True, the most recent of these are approximately six weeks old when they arrive. But up-to-date radio apparatus bridges the gap betwixt now and then and keeps the oil-field well informed as to more recent happenings in the outside world.

The native oil-field workers are mostly Persians, and the Persian workers are all Mohammedans. On the other hand, cooks, butlers and fitters in the company workshops are recruited largely from India. Many of these are professing Christians.

About a mile from the oil-field metropolis of Maidun-I-Naftun is an ancient ruin. Masjid-I-Suleiman, the natives call it; and quite often the name is applied likewise to the oil-field community. According to Arab tradition, this ruin was once Solomon's Temple.

It is pretty safe betting that Solomon never set foot in Persia, let alone built a temple there. But the superstitious natives regard the ruin with extreme veneration.

Persia would delight the late Brigham Young. For plurality of wives is the established custom among the Mohammedans. The ordinary man has two or three wives; individuals of wealth and magnificence have many more. "Catch them young," is the Persian motto. It is customary to buy these wives when young, the purchase price of a wife ranging from \$150 for a common specimen to \$1,000 for an exceptionally attractive girl. Persian girls are fairly well-developed women at the age of twelve.

The Mohammedans are fanatically religious, and especially so in the two weeks preceding the Mohorran, the great feast-day. In that period the devout Mohammedan tastes neither food nor drink from sunrise till sunset. Spectacles of religious frenzy on these days are unforgettable, and often horrible. Zealous marchers slash their bodies with knives, rejoicing that they are able to shed their blood for Allah. Others beat themselves with heavy chains. Their flesh looks like raw beefsteak. But in their exuberant zeal they seem to suffer no pain.

A feature of life in the oil field colony is the visit of the native peddler. These native peddlers bring with them the products of Persian craftsmen—rugs, laces, shawls, and various articles of carving. The peddlers have discovered that these strange white men who bore holes in the earth—and particularly the wives of these men—are eager buyers of native curios.

"But we," said Mrs. McElphatric, "have learned on our part to be not too eager. There is one peculiarity about the native peddler. The price he quotes you when he begins to dicker is at least double the price he expects to get and is willing to accept. He knows it. We know it.

And he knows that we know it. But that method of bargaining is part of the heritage of this strange east."

Mrs. McElphatric brought home beautiful rugs and laces, the work of the Persian craftsmen.

The oil field working day begins at 5 a.m. Though the days are usually extremely hot, the nights are cool; and the early start gives the worker the cool of the day. At 2 p.m. he quits work. By that time the temperature is unbearable; remembering that even at the coolest, drilling is hot work.

Having knocked off, the predominant Britisher spends the afternoon in his favorite sport. He plays golf, or tennis, or cricket. There is an excellent golf course, one of the finest in the world. There is a wonderful cricket crease. There are something like eighteen tennis courts.

What about baseball diamonds? Ah—there's the rub. These Britishers don't seem to know what they're missing. Perhaps, anyway, baseball is too strenuous for a tired driller who's knocked off work at 2 p.m. because the day is "too blasted hot."

In the big community hall the latest movies are shown once or twice a week. Every Saturday night there is dancing. Fortnightly teas and dances are given by the outside clubs. Horse races, polo, football, golf, cricket, tennis, are all indulged; with yearly tournaments, and silver cups as trophies. The trophies are provided by the company or its individual directors.

For golf last year Sir John Cadman, a director of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company whose name is known throughout the Empire, offered as trophy a silver cup. And thereby hangs the tale previously referred to, of what Elizabeth Hyatt McElphatric did to uphold the honor of her native Canada and of her husband's former United States.

The Cadman silver cup was eagerly sought by crack golfers—players from the oil field and pumping station clubs whose skill with the niblick was widely known and generally conceded.

The one Canadian girl in the Persian oil fields decided to do what she could—her very best, or if possible a little better.

The struggle was Homeric. But Elizabeth Hyatt McElphatric from Tilbury, Ontario, captured Sir John Cadman's cup.

Duplicate Auction Bridge

By J. M. BARRY

DOUBTLESS modern progressive bridge drives afford a certain amount of entertainment but as a test of merit they lack both finality and correctness and can in no way compare with the results achieved in a properly run and properly constituted duplicate auction game. In the former it is the custom to shuffle the cards afresh after but one play so that a reliable comparison either in skill or results is out of the question. In the duplicate variety, on the contrary, the cards once dealt retain their precise positions and identities till the conclusion of the entertainment.

The duplicate game, once the participants have mastered a few important essentials, can be run just as easily. It is a pertinent suggestion of ours to hostesses and especially to large organizations like the Granite Club, the Parkdale Canoe Club and others that a night's duplicate would afford entertainment of a fascinating and wholesome type.

A short resume of the modus operandi of an actual play may facilitate matters no end which, if necessary, the writer will be pleased to supplement. Let us suggest the party comprises twenty persons making in all ten pairs. This will entail the employment of five card tables each numbered with a distinguishing number, usually one to five. On each table will be placed boards or trays, numbered and marked with an arrow which ought invariably be so placed as to face north. The number of boards on each table will vary according to the contemplated duration of the session. If, say three hours is the time limit, then five or six boards ought to suffice but much will depend on the quickness or otherwise of the players. These boards are specially arranged with receptacles or pockets for each person's allocation of cards so that each hand after play can be meticulously returned to the same groove or slot and so that everything will be in readiness for the pairs at the succeeding table. Furthermore, to safeguard this isolation of each hand, each card as it is played is put face up in front of the player and the winning of the trick is followed by the turning down of the card still carefully in front of the player, the winners of the trick placing theirs vertically and the losers horizontally. At the end of the hand the score is entered on a paper placed in the tray corresponding to the number of each pair. Should a game have been secured, the trick score, the honor score and a bonus of 125 are all added together and the total is put on the plus side of the winning pair and on the minus side of the losing pair. Should no game materialize the same procedure is followed but without the bonus.

It must not be overlooked that each pair at the start take their pair number north and south or east and west—from the table at which they play their first set of boards. The north and south players will retain their seats the entire evening but the east and west players as soon as each set of boards have been discussed will move either up or down according to arrangement but in the contrary direction to the set of boards just played. This probably all looks very complicated on paper but I can assure my readers that the whole working is simplicity itself. Sometimes there are as many as eighteen or twenty tables engaged at the Friday evenings' competitions promoted by the Toronto Whist Club and there is never a hitch in either of two sections. Of course it is possible to play off a party composed of six or eight fours but where an even number of tables are involved a troublesome relay of one set of boards is necessary. When the circuit is completed and a north and south pair has played against every east and west pair and visa versa the matter of collecting the various slips off each board by some one or two officials and reckoning up in a precise way will take the best part of half an hour.

The system of scoring is that adopted at the Knicker- (Continued on page 21)

The Onlooker in London

Gentlemen, The King!

WIRELESS pictures were transmitted as an experiment for the first time from the British Broadcasting Corporation station at Daventry (5) one day this week by means of the Fultograph system. When Captain Fuller, the inventor, held up a picture of the King immediately after it had been received, he was greeted with cheers. Subsequently, the picture was fastened to a board for all to see. Small smudges appeared upon it. These were due to electric interference from a near-by fan. This was stopped

Imperial Advertising

SOME criticism is being levelled in business circles against the latest pictorial poster issued by the Empire Marketing Board. It is the bold design of Charles Pears bearing the legend, "There is no land uninhabitable, nor sea unnavigable," which was written by Master Robert Thorne in 1527. Whilst admitting that it is a stirring reminder of Britain's maritime might, both in commerce and in war, many traders are doubtful whether it will help in the sale of British and Imperial goods. They are inclined to ques-

to have, all that can be of any use or appear with any advantage, for £5,000 a year." Lord Birkenhead, however, might point to the changed purchasing power of economy since those good old days.

It is assumed pretty confidently that Lord Birkenhead is to be the first chairman of the new cable and wireless combine. It is true the legislation required for the new combine is not passed yet, but it will probably be done before Christmas; so that, if the report be correct, Lord Birkenhead will be in the new post some time before the General Election, which was the alternative date named for his retirement from the Government. The chairman will draw a salary of from ten to fifteen thousand a year.

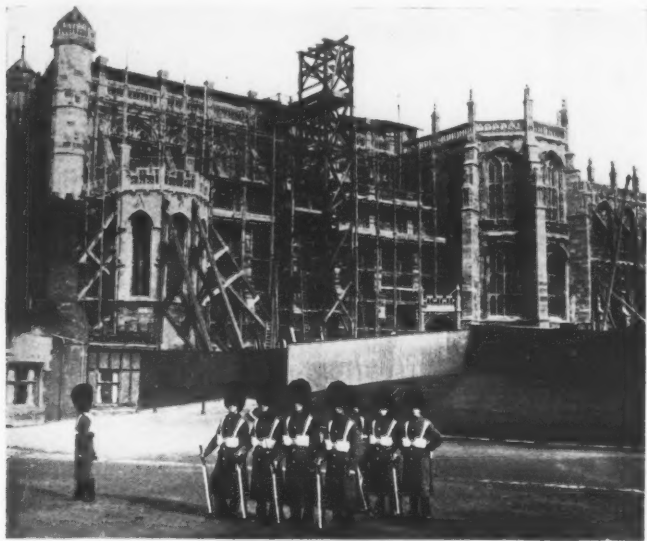
King Alfonso: Yachtsman

IT IS good news to Solent yachtsmen that King Alfonso intends to do his best to bring a party of Spanish yachtsmen to compete in the 8-metre races at Cowes next year. The 8-metre class is coming ahead rapidly in England. This Royal encouragement ought to do it good. The Crown Prince Olaf of Norway is a very keen helmsman in the 6-metre class, and a welcome visitor to regattas here.

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ST. GEORGE'S CHAPEL, WINDSOR, ENGLAND, UNDER REPAIRS.

and a cartoon by Raven Hill entitled "Seeing is Believing" came over clearly. The broadcast pictures were received at the Manchester Wireless Exhibition in the City Hall on two machines of different types. A large crowd assembled to see the experiment, and gave a rousing cheer when the complete portrait of the King was taken off the cylinder.

tion whether the inclusion of two groups of naval pioneers, some of whom were admittedly freebooters, is a happy idea. They hold that whilst the picture may make people proud of their naval history and the might of their Empire, it offers no solid advertisement in the commercial sense.

Gramophones and Wireless

THE enormous growth in the sale of gramophone records in England during the last year or two has caused a reversal of the fears which were expressed when broadcasting started—that it would kill the gramophone. The fear now is that gramophones may adversely affect the sale of broadcasting licenses. The figures, however, show that such fears are groundless. It has been proved that wireless is a definite ally of the gramophone. It is, so to speak, the commercial traveller which submits samples of what the gramophone can supply. Whether the gramophone assists wireless is not so clear, unless the public turn to the wireless for inspiration when they contemplate buying new records. It is obvious, however, that the gramophone and broadcasting are in no way inimical to each other's interests.

The Progress of Science

THOSE of us who are of a sceptical turn of mind may view with a certain cynicism an attempt to get into wireless communication with Mars, based on the supposition of a London solicitor that he has been to the planet ethereally and been in telepathic communication with the Martians. Our cynicism has, no doubt, received added venom from the absence of any reply from Mars and from the amount of talk about "a faint background of atmospheric noises," which even the most enthusiastic have had to admit could not be recognised as intelligent messages. But cynicism is all very well. Science today is sweeping all before her, and what she wants she nearly always in the end gets.

An attempt is also to be made to get into touch with Mars by a rocket containing a passenger. The correct formalities for such a visit would look on travellers from the earth as a kind of noxious insect to be exterminated forthwith. But once our travellers had secured their footing they would merely have to erect their probable wireless transmitting apparatus and report progress in Whitehall. A regular service of inter-planetary rockets would no doubt then be speedily established, and any problem of earthly over-population would be solved at once! If there may be some fear that we shall not see any planet colonised within the lifetime of this generation, there is, after all, plenty of time ahead. Since many astronomers now consider that the earth will probably remain habitable for another thousand million years, there will still be ample time to spare for all kinds of celestial adventures. M. Pelterie may be a little in advance of his age, but it is never too soon to start making plans.

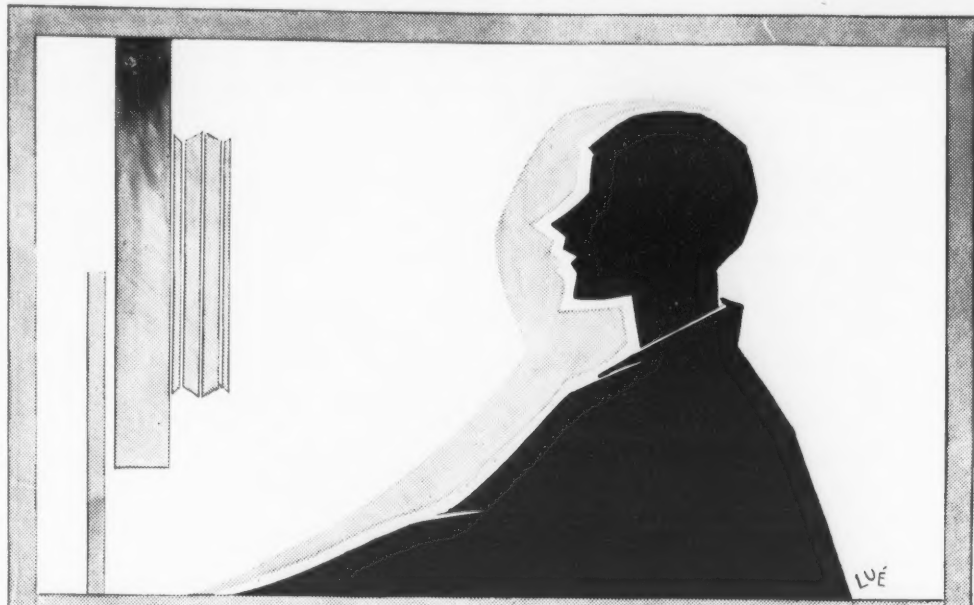
A Popular Actress' Confessions

SOMEONE once said that if Bill Terriss had repeated the alphabet on the stage he would have been applauded. The same sort of personality suffuses his charming daughter, Mrs. Seymour Hicks, who "with others," tells the story of her life in a most readable little book, "Ellaline Terriss." It is frank: she admits having been born 57 years ago in the Falkland Islands; and it is quite unpretentious, for she calls herself the "Veteran Ingenue." But it is kindly and sincere, and is inspired by an extraordinary optimism, for her private life has been full of sorrows. She lost her only son and her father almost within a week; and shortly afterwards her mother died, while her brother-in-law, Stanley Brett, was a victim of the Great War. Besides that, she saw her mercurial consort lose £47,000 on the stage, and he has had to work like a hatter ever since in paying it off.

Miss Terriss' revelations of stage finance are extraordinary. Thus, she tells us that the Criterion Theatre was leased to Messrs. Spiers and Ponds at £100 a year. They sub-let to old William Duck at £50 a week, and now the rent is £300 a week. Similarly, the Garrick was let to John Hare for £5,000 a year, and the sub-farming of it now brings in £25,000 a year. George Edwards, who, by the way, did not know one tune from another, lost £20,000 upon "Sans Gene," while Charles Frohman, during the time he was here, lost, even counting his successes, £30,000 a year. Among the many ups and downs of which she tells, she reminds us that when Irving was playing the Dame in a Manchester pantomime he was so poor that Johnny Toole had to send him warm underclothing. She has endless stories to tell of theatrical people. On one occasion somebody thought that Rutland Barrington was excellent, and that he was singing in tune. "Don't worry," said Sir William Gilbert. "It is only first night nervousness." A manager asked Barrie to settle a dispute as to how a well known actor should be advertised. The manager thought of putting "and" before the actor's name. "No," said Sir James, "I think 'but' would be better."

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LORD BIRKENHEAD'S assertion that a man of parts cannot do justice to himself and his family on the £5,000 a year now paid a Cabinet Minister indicates a different standard of living or expenditure from that which was current among members of the peerage in the days of Dr. Johnson, who recorded that "Lord Shelburne told me that a man of high rank, who looks to his own affairs, may have all that he ought



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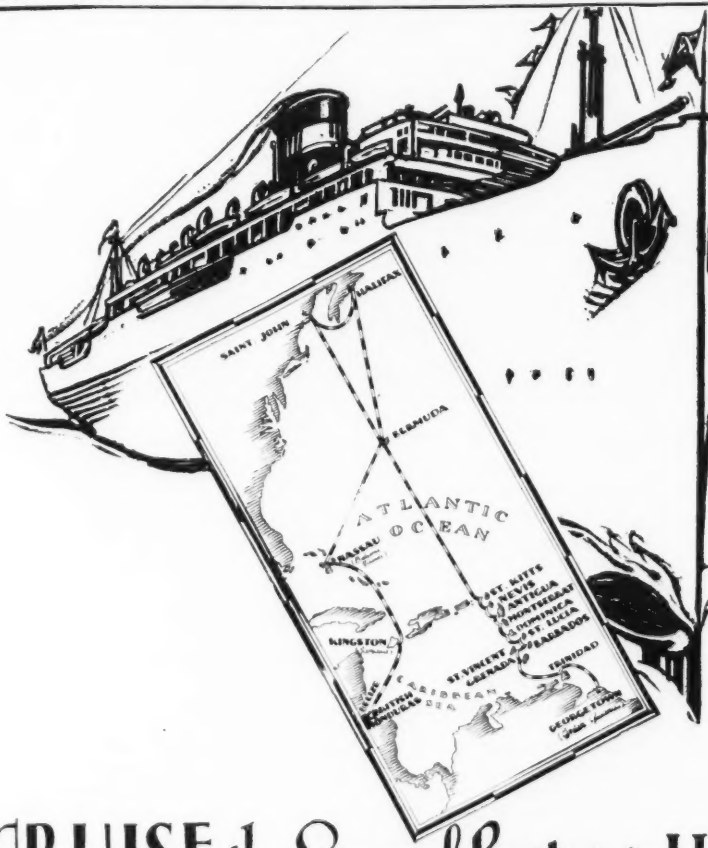
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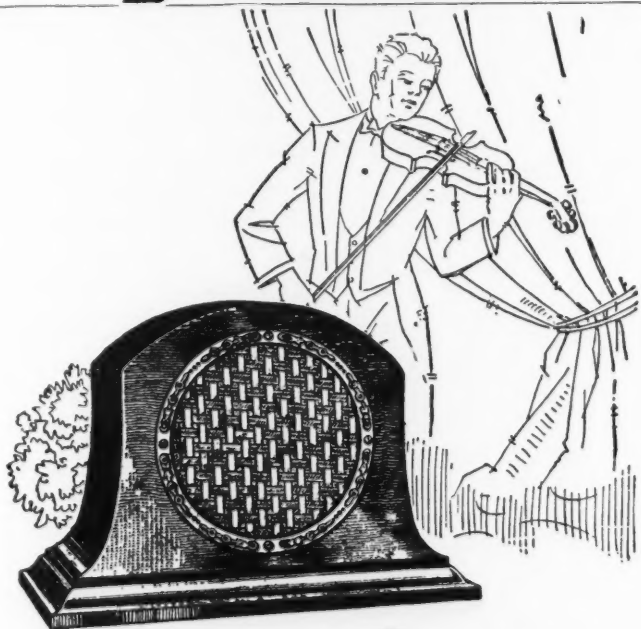
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THERE is just one occasion that is socially more important in a woman's life than her debut—and that is her wedding. There is something essentially piquant about the debutante. She has the world at her feet—and she is usually wearing silver slippers. She has such a fair setting that it is no wonder the world stops for a moment—even when the stock market is setting a feverish pace—and admits that there is nothing fairer than the debutante, "on tiptoe for a flight." Yes, the world is hers to play with for a time. Will it crush her, or will

ada and so the name of William III was befitting his grandson.

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MRS. HERBERT HOOVER
Wife of the President-Elect of the United States, who will be the next "first lady" at the White House, Washington, next spring.

she have the wisdom to take its sweet and avoid the poisoned flowers which are so fragrant? It is the enigma quality in the debutante which makes her so attractive. There is every reason for spreading flowers in her pathway—roses of an old world fragrance, chrysanthemums of golden abundance and carnations of an Oriental spiciness. They belong by right to the girl who is standing "where the brook and river meet." When we were small children we resented the remark of our elders:—"Your school-days are the happiest." Cannot we derive from each stage and season some beauty all its own? That may be quite true, and yet there is a poignant sweetness in the girl, who is entering the world of grown-ups, that we do not see again. For many months it has been the habit of observers of modern manners to deplore the appearance and manners of the youth of to-day. Yet, as we look about us at the modern dance, we see many a gallant boy, many a girl of daintiness and dignity. As for the dances, they may be less graceful than the "Myosotis" or "The Beautiful Blue Danube"; but you can't expect the dancing of an automobile age to be as demure as that of the days when we drove behind Dobbin to the fair. To each age its own language, its own loveliness:—and this is an age of swiftness:—by motor car or by aeroplane. So the swiftness gets into the feet of the young people, and the dreamy dances of their grandparents would be considered too slow.

Such lovely gowns the debutantes wear—of an infinite variety of fabrics and coloring—much more brilliant than the white muslin gown worn by that precious simpleton, Amelia Gedley.

As I watched the debutantes at a recent dance I was reminded of those gay lines of C. S. Calverley:—"A is an Angel of blushing eighteen; B is the Ball where the Angel was seen."

Of course a thorough Puritan will be doubtful of the attendance of an angel at a modern dance. Yet I saw a gentle grey-eyed girl with hair of golden-brown at a dance the other day who wore a tiered gown of floating white tulle and a Madonna blue velvet bandeau, who was lovely enough to satisfy any poet's fancy.

IF A MAN is known by the nickname friends bestow upon him, then the name of "Pat", given to the late Justice Ferguson, indicated the geniality and light-heartedness of the possessor. Judge Ferguson belonged to an Irish family, well-known throughout York and Simcoe Counties. As a school-boy at Upper Canada College he was given the name "Pat"—although he had been baptized William Nassau, after the historic hero of the Boyne. Judge Ferguson's maternal grandfather, the late Ogle Gowan, was the founder of the Orange Order in Can-

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than that which assembled to pay the last honors to the man whom many had held dear. From Sir William Mulock to the youngest barrister, there was a general expression of regret, and Premier Ferguson, a distant relative but close friend, was among the chief mourners. On all sides were heard expressions of sorrow, after the stately ritual of the Church of England was read, and the casket was removed from an apartment fragrant and crowded with wreaths and sprays. A friend who has travelled in many countries says that the epitaph that impressed him most was the line, "She was so pleasant" on a tombstone in an old Irish graveyard. Can there be a happier memory than one of bright smiles and kindly words? Judge Ferguson's friendly grace was not the idle or casual attitude of one who has known little of life's friction. It was the outcome of wide experience and deep sympathy, the expression of a nature, rich in a capacity for friendship. Judge Ferguson will be remembered for his legal ability and his keenness of judgment—but, above all, for the ready smile and kindly act which made his presence a brightening influence. To have done this, is to have made life a widespread blessing:—and there can be no bitterness in such a memory. The greatest fear that overhangs the world to-day is that of another war—and war is the outcome of a spirit of hate. So, a citizen whose heart is kindly towards his brother men is he who is an assurance against strife. Of such a sunny nature was the man who was laid to rest in his childhood's home on a dark November morning. Surely, of him it may be said:—"And so he bore without abuse The grand old name of gentleman."

Little Things

She said, "I cannot understand Your passion for these little things." O, I shall never make her see How heartbreaking and dear to me A Seagull's footprints on the sand; A feather from a ring-dove's wings; The way the rose-red anthers grow On scabious flowers, purple-blue; The glory of a flake of snow; The colour in a drop of dew; Striped velvet of a bed's brown coat; The little pinky paws of moles; Sunlight upon a pigeon's throat; The little lovely secret holes Of wood-wren's nest and field-mouse run; The curve of rose-petals; the back Of ladybirds, bright red and black; The silken touch of thistle-down; A fleck of sea-foam in the sun; Pebbles in pools, all wet and brown.

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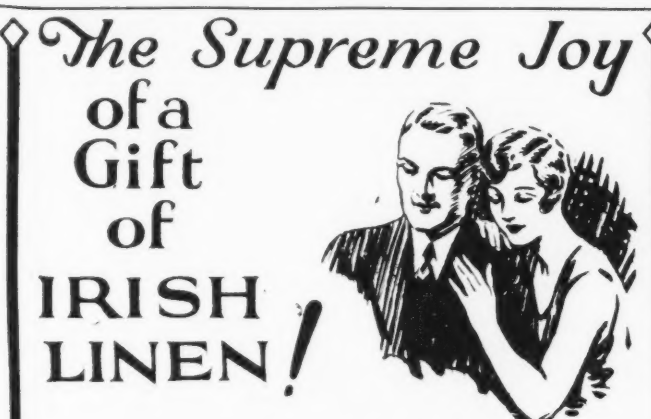
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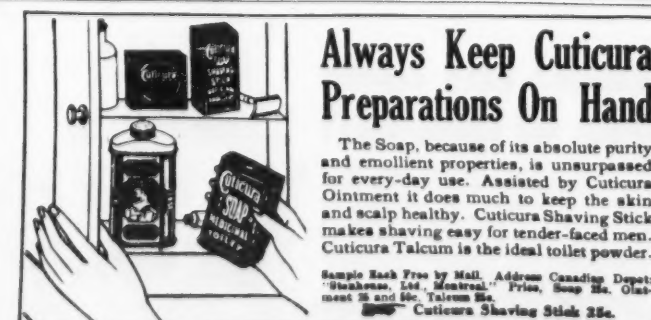
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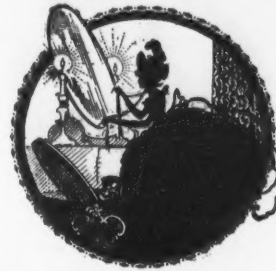


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THE DRESSING TABLE

By Valerie



IN THIS last month of Autumn, one often falls into a reminiscent mood:—especially when the evening sky is grey and the rain is steadily falling on dead leaves. So, I began to wonder how long I have been receiving letters in this column:—and I came to the conclusion that, for about a dozen years you have been writing to me about your complexions and your falling hair. Once a sentimental dandy mistook this for one of those "heart-to-heart" affairs and wrote for advice as to her love entanglements. The poor girl said

method:—but don't let any correspondent ask about it:—

"I have brought back a new radium-dust-skin treatment," said a Doverstreet specialist who returned this week from a month's business tour of the Continent.

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HERE is a little talk on keeping young by one who has managed to do so:—

I daresay that many of you will smile at the idea of keeping young. You are young—therefore, you need not think about it. Some of you are still young but middle age is looming unpleasantly in the distance—a faint hazy distance as yet. Others are just beginning to feel the loss of elasticity, a gaining of flesh, a disinclination towards exercises, a strong desire for that nap after luncheon.

If you really wish to keep young you must avoid all strain and, more especially, the strain of resisting age. It is that dread and fear and the continual resentment and watching out for what people say and how you think you look, that brings the lines and ruins your skin. You literally get a jaundiced outlook. If you want to keep young you must be careful of your diet. You must avoid heavy wines, rich food, and strong sauces, and fattening things of every kind.

Why not leave out tea, except for a couple of cups of fairly weak tea. Do you honestly feel comfortable after rich buns and cakes and delicious looking sandwiches? Do you want fish and meat and a pudding at night—and often soup as well and a savoury and coffee and wine and fruits and chocolates. Only a little of each, but you must add to this mixture bread and sauces, and vegetables and perhaps a salad.

Do you feel buoyantly well and



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she really did not know which man she loved. It was difficult to believe the hesitating creature. Usually, however, you have been eminently sensible and have limited yourselves to the complexion, refusing to consider anything so serious as the heart.

There is one respect, however, in which the correspondents of this column might be improved. I have not yet received an unpleasant letter from a correspondent—yes, I am touching wood—but there is a certain kind of irritating letter that frequently arrives. Someone writes and asks for a certain recipe and remarks: "I don't know just when it was in—last week or, perhaps, before that—but you will know the one I mean." Not being a clairvoyant or an Anna Eva Fay person, I have not the ghost of an idea what the dear correspondent wants. Of course, the best way to do is to cut out the recipe or prescription when you see it. If you have not done that, the next best thing is to mention the exact date of the issue containing the desired prescription. Some of you have been asking for the freckles one and for the prescription to improve oily hair. So, I shall give them both now—and not again until the summer. For the freckles lotion, take two tablespoonfuls peroxide; one tablespoonful Epsom salts; white wine vinegar, one tablespoonful; juice of half a lemon. Dissolve and shake well, apply and let dry to the skin and wipe off. For oily hair, take one fluid drachm, vinegar of cantharides; two fluid drachms, aromatic vinegar; two fluid ounces, bay rum; one-half fluid ounce, glycerine; five ounces, rose water. Now, I do not say that these prescriptions will prove satisfactory. There is no certainty about anything in this insecure world. But they have been of benefit to many.

A LONDONER who keeps up with the latest "beauty treatments" has this to say regarding a new

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good tempered when you awaken first thing in the morning? If not, if you feel heavy and disinclined for breakfast, why not leave breakfast out for a few weeks—or a month or two. If you cannot fancy the salads and fruit that some doctors recommend, why not try two cups of tea and a little very crisp toast—and even a scrap of marmalade, if you like. You will honestly feel ever so different after six or eight weeks of this kind of breakfast. Have you ever tried (if you have the time) a day in bed on grapes alone? They are often quite cheap in the winter. Skin and pip them, it will pass the time, and eat one pound during the day. You can still have your weak cups of tea. It is a most cleansing remedy and will give your tired and overworked digestion time to recover.

Sometimes I see quite an elderly man or woman eat this kind of diet: Early morning tea and bread-and-butter. Breakfast: anything going, and a boiled egg, two cups of tea or coffee, and marmalade—perhaps a slice of cold ham before the egg. Luncheon: hot meat, often starting with a vegetable dish first or lobster, vegetables, wine, bread, salad, and pudding or tart, and cream, butter, cheese and biscuits, followed by coffee. Tea: an indescribable attack (in the country) on honey, chocolate cake, or other cake, bread and butter, and ham and chicken paste or sandwiches. Dinner: the usual fish, meat, sweet, savoury, wine business followed by fruit, chocolates and coffee.

Can any elderly woman digest that? I not only ask you, but I beg you to ask yourself. If you are complaining of getting fat and feeling tired, try a very light breakfast; a



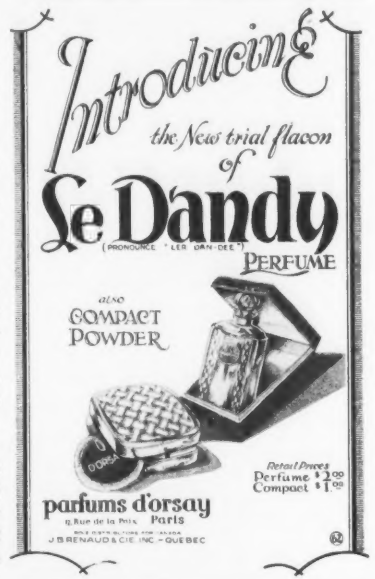
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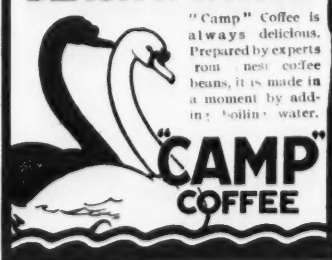
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top scorers 3½ points. Should three pairs on the same side have an equal score for the same board, then 4, 3 and 2 are added together and divided by three, and so each of the pairs net 3 points, and so on. When all the scores are thus adjusted and the total of each pair arrived at, this total will be divided by the number of tables, in this case five, and the resulting figures will show how much each pair is above or below the average score, as well as determining the

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good old times and how different girls were when you were young. Enter as much as you can into that delightful eager joy of youth that you feel are in danger of losing.

Clean your skin, nourish it, and tone it up, and if you want to look remarkably young for your age, do the same with your spirit.

Correspondence

Lucy. So you were called after Lucy Desborough by a mother who loved Meredith's novels. That is very interesting, and I hope you are as pretty as that heroine and that you will have a happier fate. I remember your former letter and am glad that you have found my advice of some help. There is a bleaching lotion which will help in driving the tan and sunburn away. It is wonderful how long the brown color will last and make one feel awkward in a smart afternoon or evening gown. The lotion costs \$1.25, and one bottle will last a long time and should prove a kind friend to a girl who is trying to restore her skin to whiteness. I hope you will find it of use.

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Elizabeth. Now what is the use of asking me about what face creams you should use, when you tell me that you have acute indigestion? Probably the little red spots, for which you have a natural dislike, come from this troublesome digestion or a sluggish liver. Try three cakes of yeast a day and a dose of milk of magnesia every night and watch your complexion clear. To assist the process you may use a good almond cream or other softening agency. But first and most important is to persuade your digestive apparatus to behave, for you can be neither happy nor beautiful if your digestion is out of order. You must obey a few simple rules for health, if you wish to have a clear skin. Our grandmothers had a strenuous spring tonic, for which we have a milder substitute:—but they realized that the poisons must be banished. Kipling's school-boy hero who "kept his pores open and his mouth shut" was a wise lad.

Duplicate Auction Bridge

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bocker Club, New York, The Toronto Whist Club, Woodstock Club, Brantford Golf and Country Club and many similar bridge rendezvous. Let us continue to assume that five tables in all participated. Then four points are awarded to the top north and south pair and a like number to the east and west pair, quite independent of whether they returned a plus or minus score so long as it is the best return for that particular board on that particular side. The next pair gets three points, and so on down to the last pair, who get nothing. Now it very often happens there is a divided top score between two or even three pairs. In the case of two being equal to four and three the right apportionments for first and second are added together and divided by two, giving each of the

first, second and third pairs on each side of the competition.

To a bit of a statistician like myself it is very interesting to analyze these results later, and the enlightenment afforded by the various treatments meted out in irregular holdings by the different pairs and the wide swings recorded on the score sheets, is considerable. The fascination of duplicate has always appealed to me

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MOFFATT—In Detroit, on November 9th, 1928, to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Moffatt, formerly of Toronto, a daughter.

MARRIAGES
HAMILTON—HOBBS—On Saturday, Nov. 10th, at Deer Park United Church, Toronto, by the Rev. Dr. Henry, Kathleen Leona, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Alfred T. Hobbs, to William Dawson Hamilton, Elmer H., of Toronto, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hamilton, of Cleveland.

ENGAGEMENTS
The engagement is announced of Martha Agnes, daughter of the late John W. Harris and of Mrs. Harris, of Burk's Falls, Ontario, to Mr. William Dickson Sumner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sumner, of Montreal, the marriage to take place quietly in January.



Mrs. H. J. Fisk of Devon House, Toronto, entertained at dinner on Thursday night of last week in honor of Lady Kingsmill, who is in Toronto.

Colonel Baptist Johnston, of Toronto, entertained at dinner on Thursday night of this week before the military ball given by the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada.

The Right Hon. Mackenzie King, Premier of Canada, arrived in Toronto on Wednesday of this week, and is the guest of Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. W. D. Ross at Government House. Premier King opened the Royal Winter Fair on that night, and on Thursday



MRS. ARTHUR L. KEYMER

Whose marriage took place at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Vancouver, on September 2. Mrs. Keymer was, before her marriage, Gertrude Dora, only daughter of Mrs. George Denny-MacKay, and granddaughter of the late George Grant MacKay, of Strathgyle, and Invernesshire, Scotland. Mr. Keymer is the son of the Rev. Canon Basil Keymer, of London, England. The rare and beautiful lace veil worn by the charming bride has been worn by three generations of the family.

—Photo by Vanderpant Galleries.

night the Board of Trade, at which Mr. King speaks, is giving a dinner for him at Hart House.

The Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. W. D. Ross are attending the military ball given by Colonel Reginald Pellatt and officers of the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada on Thursday, November 22, at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto.

Mrs. Norman Perry of Chestnut Park, Toronto, entertained at a delightful dinner for a number of young people on Thursday night of this week before the dance of the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada.

The Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario entertained at luncheon on Tuesday of last week at Government House, Toronto, for Colonel C. E. Bent, D.S.O., of Halifax. The guests included, Colonel D. M. Robertson; Lt. Col. J. W. Forbes; Lt. Col. J. F. Michie; Lt. Col. G. H. McLaren; Lt. Col. Robert S. Wilson; Lt. Col. Ian Sinclair; Major Scott Griffin; Major John Girvan; Capt. E. W. Bleke; Mr. S. B. Gundy; Mr. Ralph King; Mr. J. A. Tory; Mr. George Wilson; Capt. Haldenby.

The Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario and Mrs. W. D. Ross entertained at dinner at Government House, Rosedale, Toronto, on Wednesday night of last week, the party later going on to the concert of the Canadian Legion at Massey Hall. The guests were Mrs. W. H. Price, Rev. Stuart Parker, Colonel and Mrs. Alexander Fraser, Miss Fraser, Miss Mary Barker, and Miss Susan Ross.

Miss Isabel Ross will entertain for the Junior League of Toronto at luncheon, at Government House, on December 5th.

The Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario and Mrs. Ross entertained at dinner for Miss Susan Ross on Monday evening of last week, prior to Miss Betty Ellsworth's dance at Glenora, Toronto. The guests were, Miss Anne Bastedo, Miss Frances Wood, Miss Daphne Boone, Mr. Ross Wilson, Miss Nora Carter (Quebec), Miss June Warren, Mr. Ben Cunningham, Mr. Gordon Taylor, Mr. John and Mr. Frank Eastwood, Miss Isabel Lockhart Gordon, Mr. Hugh Lockhart Gordon, Miss Anne Osler (Bronte), Mr. Stuart Osler, Mr. Sidney Hulbig, Mr. George Hees, Miss Nadine Hart (Kingston).

Mrs. W. R. Dockrill, of Lowther Avenue, Toronto, introduced her daughter, Mrs. Frances Dockrill, at a very successful tea on Friday afternoon of last week, Mrs. Dockrill wearing beige chif-

fon with corsage of orchids and lily-of-the-valley. The charming debutante was in eggshell satin modishly draped, and carried American beauty roses. The tea-table, in charge of Mrs. W. L. Grant, Mrs. J. L. Capreol, Mrs. Humphrey Colquhoun and Mrs. C. P. Lomax, was done with tall candles and yellow and bronze chrysanthemums. Assisting were Miss Nancy McDougald, Miss Ruth Lyon, Miss H. Playfair, Miss Minty, Miss Lorna Farmer, Miss F. Playfair. Mrs. Dockrill's guests included Lady Kingsmill, Miss Diana Kingsmill, Mrs. George Larratt Smith, Lady Aird, Miss Aird, Miss Anne Osler, Mrs. Charles E. Clarke, Mrs. F. N. G. Starr, Miss Susan Ross, Mrs. Duncan

Wilmet Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Young, of Hamilton; Mr. Dalton McCarthy, Mr. and Mrs. Leigh McCarthy, Mrs. George Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Cayley, Dr. and Mrs. Edmund Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Seagram, Miss Dorothy Rigner, Kingston; Mrs. Charles Cambie, Colonel and Mrs. Ian Sinclair, Miss Marjorie Mulock, Miss Katharine Clarke, Miss Katharine Christie, the Misses Gwyneth and Elizabeth Osborne, Miss Susan Ross, Messrs. William and Norman Seagram, Mrs. Gwyn Francis, Miss Nancy McDougald, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Cayley, Miss Persis Seagram, Miss Evelyn Booth, Messrs. Strathy, Miss Eleanor McLaughlin, the Misses Ottilia and Mary Kerr, Miss Naomi Anglin, Miss Madeline Willis, Miss Yvonne Denison, Mr. Edmund Howard, Miss Peggy Gunn, Mr. Ian Forbes, Mr. Allen Gibbons, Miss Betty Cambie, Miss Betty King Smith, Mr. David Langmuir, Miss Sylvia Cayley, Messrs. Walter and Hugh Gordon.

Miss Isabel Ross, daughter of the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, and Miss Aimee Gundy, who have been in Ottawa, guests of Miss Prudence Holbrook, are again in Toronto. These two young ladies were guests of honor at a bridge given in Ottawa on Thursday afternoon of last week by Miss Jean Gamble.

Lady Falconbridge, of Toronto, accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Robert Cassels, to Bronxville, New York. Lady Falconbridge sails on December 1 to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Moss, in the South of France.

Lieut.-General Sir Archibald and Lady Macdonell and Miss Macdonell, of Calgary, have taken a house in Kingston, which they will occupy this winter. Miss Alison Macdonell's engagement to Mr. W. E. Gillespie, Lieut. Royal Canadian Dragoons, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gillespie, of Toronto, was recently announced.

Colonel and Mrs. Reginald Pellatt, of Toronto, are again in Toronto, from New York.

The marriage of Miss Kathaleen Rolls and Dr. Frederick C. Fishback of the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn., and Washington, D. C., was recently solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. James R. Rolls, in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The bride is a graduate of Haverhill Hall and Vassar College. She is a niece of Mrs. Henry Cockshutt of Brantford, Ontario. The maid of honor was Miss Olive Allan of Goderich, Ont.

Lady Drayton, of Toronto, recently spent a few days in Ottawa. Sir Henry and Lady Drayton have taken Mr. Aemilius Jarvis's house on Prince Arthur Avenue, Toronto, for several months, and will take up residence there in December.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan J. McDougald of Toronto, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Marie Emelle Coran to Mr. Glenholme Vincent Hughes, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Hughes of Montreal, the marriage to take place in December.

Sir Thomas White, of Queen's Park, Toronto, entertained at dinner last week for his guest from Ottawa, Sir Robert Borden. Sir Thomas's guests included Sir Joseph Flavelle, Sir Henry Drayton, Sir John Aird, the Premier of Ontario, Mr. Justice Orde, Mr. J. A. McLeod, Hon. J. D. Reid, Mr. D. B. Hanna, and Rev. Dr. Cody. Sir Robert Borden is again in Ottawa.

Miss Dorothy Havemeyer of New York, is a visitor in Toronto for the Horse Show, guest of Mrs. T. A. McAuley.

Mr. Joseph Lantner, the well known very fine tenor, will sing at the concert given by the Women's Musical Club of Toronto, at the Toronto Conservatory of Music on Thursday afternoon, November 29, at three o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Mepherston are again in Toronto, after a short visit to Montreal.

Mrs. Hamilton Merritt, of Toronto, Mr. Gregory Merritt and Miss Marjorie Milner are spending a few weeks at the Mayfair Hotel, London, England. Later they will go to Switzerland to spend the winter.

Miss Ethel Shepherd is again at her residence in Toronto from her place, Ethelmore, at King.

Mrs. Edward Cayley of Howard Street, Toronto, entertained at a tea on Thursday afternoon of last week to introduce her debutante daughter, Miss Sylvia Cayley, who was the recipient of many beautiful flowers. Mrs. Cayley received in a gown of black georgette and lace over white and carried Richmond roses, and Miss Cayley was attractively frocked in flowered chiffon over rose and carried mauve and yellow flowers done into a quaint posy bouquet. Mrs. Arthur Cayley and Mrs. Hugh Cayley presided at the pretty tea table which was done with pink roses in a green bowl and pink candles. Those present included, Mrs. Harcourt Vernon, Mrs. Peleg Howland, Miss Elinor Fleury, Miss Nancy McDougald, Miss June Warren, Miss Stephanie Walde, Mrs. Kemp Walde, Miss Phyllis Cassels, Miss Marion Coulson, Miss Katherine Scott, Miss Marjorie Franklin Jones, of New York, Miss Ellen Page, Miss Betsy Wadsworth, Miss Isabelle Lockhart Gordon, Miss Ray Cayley, Miss Jean Burritt, Miss Adele Taylor, Miss Evelyn Booth, Miss Anne Bastedo.

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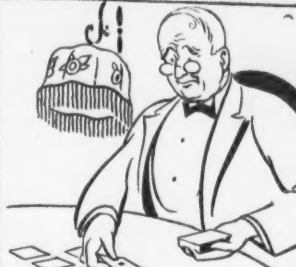
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The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ross and grandson of the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, W. D. Ross, was baptized on Sunday afternoon at 3.30 at St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, the minister, the Rev. Stuart Parker, officiating. The boy was christened William Donald, after his grandfather and father. Mrs. Donald Ross was "at home" after the ceremony, and looked very smart in a frock of pale green crepe and a small beige felt hat. Mrs. Wesley Barker and Mrs. H. A. Richardson poured tea and coffee at the pretty tea-table, which was done with pink roses and candles, and a quaint cradle-decorated christening cake. These present included the Lieutenant-



MISS LUCY CROWDY, OF OTTAWA, AND LADY WEIR

Miss Lucy Crowdy, the 20-year-old daughter of James F. Crowdy, of Ottawa, assistant secretary to the Governor-General of Canada and Mrs. Crowdy, is engaged to the Hon. James Kenneth Weir, the 22-year-old son and heir of Lord Weir of Eastwood, Renfrewshire, Scotland. Miss Lucy Crowdy is at present staying with Lady Weir (her future mother-in-law) at Eastwood, Glasgow. The photograph shows Miss Lucy Crowdy and Lady Weir photographed in the grounds at Eastwood.

wore an exquisite wedding gown of ivory ring velvet made over shell pink georgette, having long tight sleeves and shirred skirt falling to the ankles. The bodice was close fitting with two long points on either hip, heavily embroidered in seed pearls. The neck and sleeves were also outlined with small pearls. The foundation of the long train, which hung from the shoulders was of Ninon appliqued in the velvet over which was draped a beautiful Point de Venise lace veil. The headdress was a tiny bandeau of pearls caught at the back by one strand of orange blossoms from which fell the veil of tulle. She carried crimson roses and maiden-hair fern. Her only ornament was a beautifully matched string of pearls with diamond and emerald clasp, the gift of the bridegroom. The bridesmaids were Miss Betty Southam, Maid-of-honor, Miss Margaret Hunt, Miss Maureen Wilson and Miss Nora Langley, who wore maize colored velvet, made with long pointed bodices and circular skirts falling in points to the feet. At the hip-line were large bows of tinted ribbon in maize and brown, the long ends trailing on the ground. Large French felt hats were worn in a deeper tone than the dresses, with smart tinted plume, curling closely to the face. Their slippers were the same tone as the hats. They carried bouquets of bronze and yellow mums. The two little flower girls were Eleanor Jane Housser, cousin of the bride and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Housser, and Cynthia Henderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Henderson, Whitney Avenue. They were dressed alike in pale green transparent velvet, with smocked yokes and dainty gold lace collars, green socks, and gold kid slippers. They carried small gilt baskets of yellow sweetheart roses. The bridegroom was attended by his brother-in-law, Mr. George Hyslop, and the ushers were Mr. George Fulford, Mr. Arthur Hardy, Mr. Hugh Reynolds and Mr. Gordon MacLaren of Brockville. Mr. Joseph van Beuren Wittmann of Morristown, New Jersey, Mr. Bryson Shields of Bracebridge, and Mr. John Ogilvie of Montreal. Mrs. H. M. Blight furnished the wedding music and Mr. Harold Mallory of Brockville sang "Drink to me only with Thine Eyes" during the signing of the Register.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride's mother, who wore a Patou model of shaded wine colored velvet, simply draped and drooping in the sides and back. With this she wore a smart black hat and shoes and carried Sunset Roses. Mrs. George Brooks, mother of the bridegroom, wore a modish gown of pale green georgette with silver and crystal trimming, a black lace hat, and shoes with brilliant buckles. She carried Butterfly roses.

Later Mr. and Mrs. Fulford left for Montreal, sailing in the S.S. *Duchess of Athol* for England, the bride travelling in a French frock of beige crepe satin, beige caracul coat with brown hat, shoes and bag to match.

The out-of-town guests included, Mrs. Foster Chaffee, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Stewart, Mrs. George Smart, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gilmour, Senator and Mrs. George P. Graham, Senator and Mrs. A. S. Hardy, all of Brockville, Mr. Jack Dickey, Prescott, Ontario, Miss Marjorie McNeil, Ottawa, Miss Marnie Russell, Buffalo, Mr. S. W. Housser and Miss Housser, St. Catharines, Messrs. Douglas and Lorne Ogilvie, Montreal, Mr. E. W. Harrison, New York, Miss Phyllis Cassels, New York, Mr. and Mrs. Spidal, New York.

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The officers of the Canadian Army Medical Corps, Toronto Garrison, entertained delightfully the members of the Women's Auxiliary C.A.M.C. at tea at the New Armouries, Spadina House, Toronto, on Saturday afternoon of last week, the two hundred guests being received by Mrs. Wallace Scott, Mrs. C. H. Hair and Mrs. Howard Burnham. The attractive tea-table, done with varicolored chrysanthemums and tall candles, and presided over by Mrs. Charles P. Fenwick, Mrs. Rea, Mrs. A. R. Hagerman and Mrs. A. C. Galbraith, was arranged in the lecture room, which was decorated with flags and palms, and an orchestra played throughout the afternoon in the hall. The guests included, General J. T. Fotheringham, General A. H. Bell and Mrs. Bell, Colonel J. L. R. Parsons, Mrs. Parsons, Colonel and Mrs. E. J. Renaud, Colonel and Mrs. Burnham, Colonel and Mrs. E. C. Dean, Colonel and Mrs. Wallace Scott, Colonel F. S. L. Ford, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Hendry, Major and Mrs. Coatsworth, Major and Mrs. C. P. Fenwick, Dr. and Mrs. Godwin, Colonel and Mrs. W. Rhodes, Major and Mrs. Jackson, Captain and Mrs. Zimmerman, Captain and Mrs. H. Macdonald, Colonel and Mrs. I. W. S. McCullough, Major and Mrs. Lutton, Mrs. Dobbie, Captain P. A. T. Sneath, Major and Mrs. Hagerman, Major and Mrs. W. S. Lawrence, Captain H. W. B. Locke, Colonel and Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Melville White, the Misses Dowdley, Major J. H. G. Eccles, Dr. and Mrs. Banting, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Aikenhead, Colonel and Mrs. Hiltchie, Colonel and Mrs. W. S. McCrimmon, Captain S. L. Spicer.

Mrs. Earl Birks, of Toronto, entertained at the tea room on Thursday of last week for her sister-in-law, Mrs. E. B. Savage, of Montreal.

Miss Norah Warwick, of Toronto, has been on a short visit to New York.

Mrs. Septimus Denison of Toronto, left on Friday of last week with General Denison to spend the winter in England.

Mr. and Mrs. Tiffany Macklem are again in Kingston after a holiday visit to Toronto, where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Macklem.

Hon. Mr. Justice J. M. McEvoy and Mrs. McEvoy of Inglewood Drive, Toronto, received for the first time on Thursday afternoon of last week, at their residence, Mrs. McEvoy wearing beige georgette with mauve flowers at the shoulder. Miss Helen Anderson, sister of Mrs. McEvoy, who received with her sister, was in black and silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Gibson, of Hamilton, entertained at dinner on Friday night of last week, and later with her guests attended the dance given by her sister, Mrs. E. F. Osler, for Miss Anne Osler, at Lakeview Farm, Bronte.

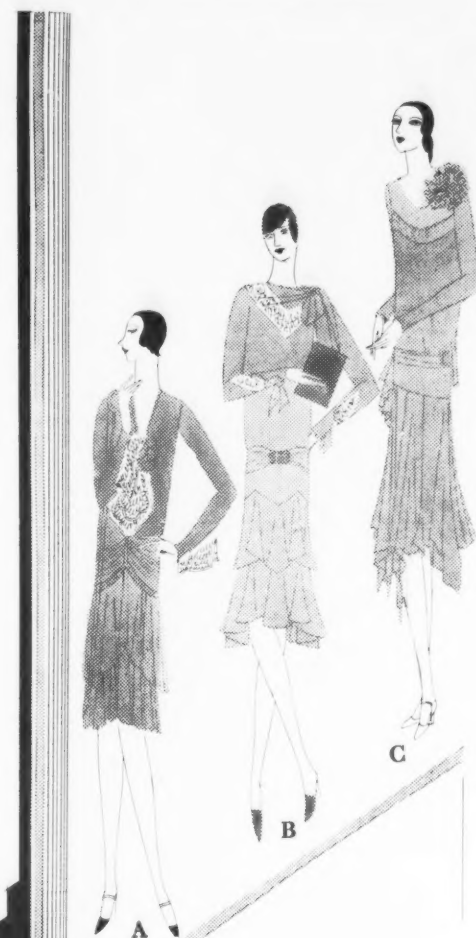
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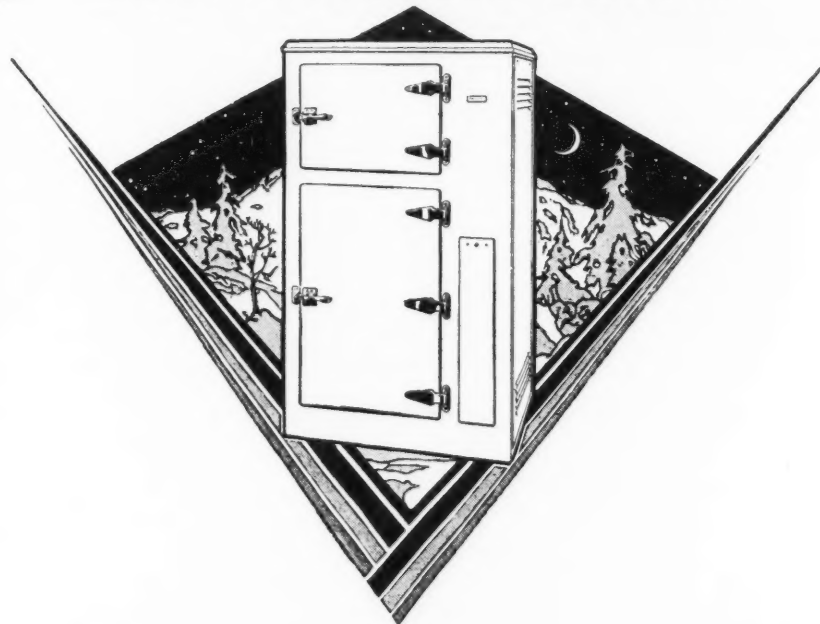
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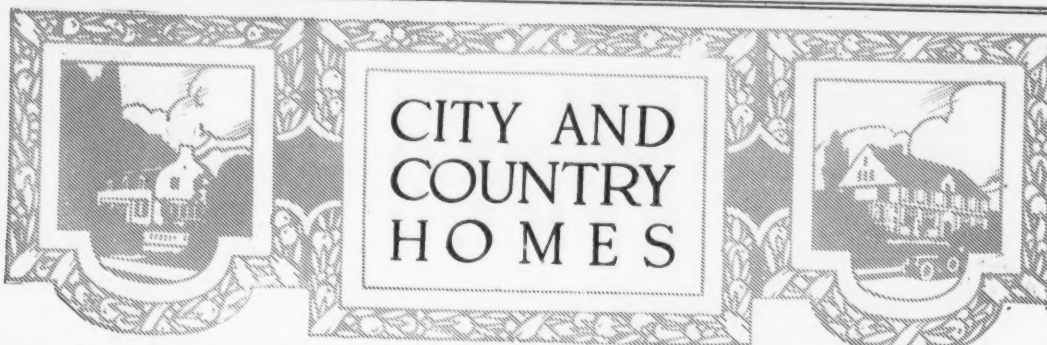
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BY FLORENCE M. EDMONDS

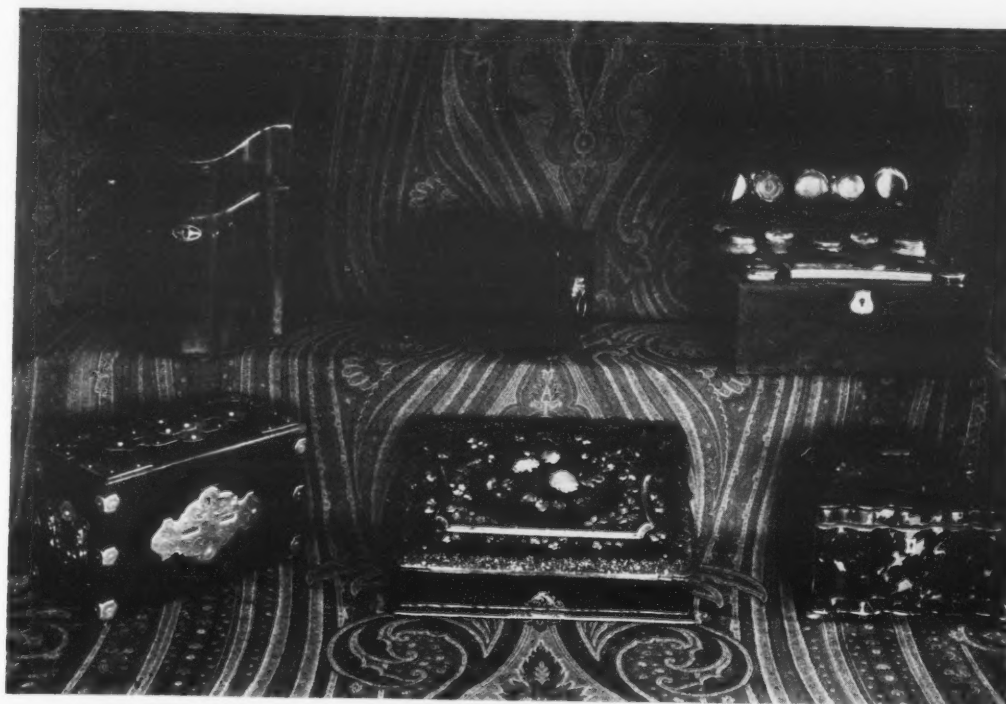
WAS there ever a woman who could resist a box? The study and collection of boxes opens out a field of interest and romance almost untouched as yet. There was very little done by the early Canadian craftsman in this art, and the examples we see of the work done in the late eighties and early nineties have been brought into this country by English and Scottish settlers. It seems certain that

water, and one with cologne which was used for the Victorian migraine), smelling salts to be run for when Grandmother swooned, powdered orris root for sachet in one jar, and rock camphor in another. The camphor, by the way, was worn around the neck in a tiny flannel bag or—whisper it—pinned to the petticoat bodice while travelling, to keep away illness or infection.

First there was a flat little tray with divided compartments, all velvet lined, where reposed grandmother's rings

when pulled up, out popped the "Secret Drawer". There was magic in it! Safe from all harm lay grandmother's marriage lines and some letters faded and yellow, but in them no doubt lived forever her dream of beauty.

It was the custom at that time for young gentlemen to present these dressing cases to their chosen sweethearts, and they were greatly valued by their recipients through the years to come. Where are these old boxes today?



A VARIETY OF VICTORIAN BOXES

they were variously designed by local cabinet makers with great care and attention to beauty of wood and detail, showing a patience and love of the art that is not with us today.

The Work-Box

IN grandmother's day, one of her earliest presents was a work-box: "To my sweet, little daughter, Matilda, on her seventh birthday, hoping she may apply herself diligently to the art of fine stitchery, from her devoted Mamma." These words were written in pointed writing and purple ink on the card accompanying the box. One can imagine Matilda sitting primly on a "lady chair" her back straight, her feet together felling a fine seam, by her devoted Mamma's side, and there is no doubt at all that she shed many a tear when the stitches were not quite small enough, or a bit uneven, and had to be picked out with a little ivory tool from the beautiful box. Poor little Matilda!

These boxes were generally made of rosewood, satinwood, or Italian walnut, delightfully lined with velvet or folded satin in delicate colors, and fitted with scissors, lace bobbins, punches, and such-like useful tools. The scissor handles and the other pieces were generally of ivory or mother-of-pearl. Unfortunately, many of these have become either broken or lost, as it has been found that most of these delightful pieces when picked up today have to be re-furnished both in the matter of lining and fitting.

There was great variety in the shape and size of the workboxes; some being flat and plain, others quite elaborately decorated with inlays and carvings. Some were even made of tortoise-shell, but these—which were very beautiful—have not withstood our climate very successfully, and the shell is often warped and pieces are chipped off. If one of these rare examples should be discovered, it is well to keep a bowl of water near it.

The Dressing Case

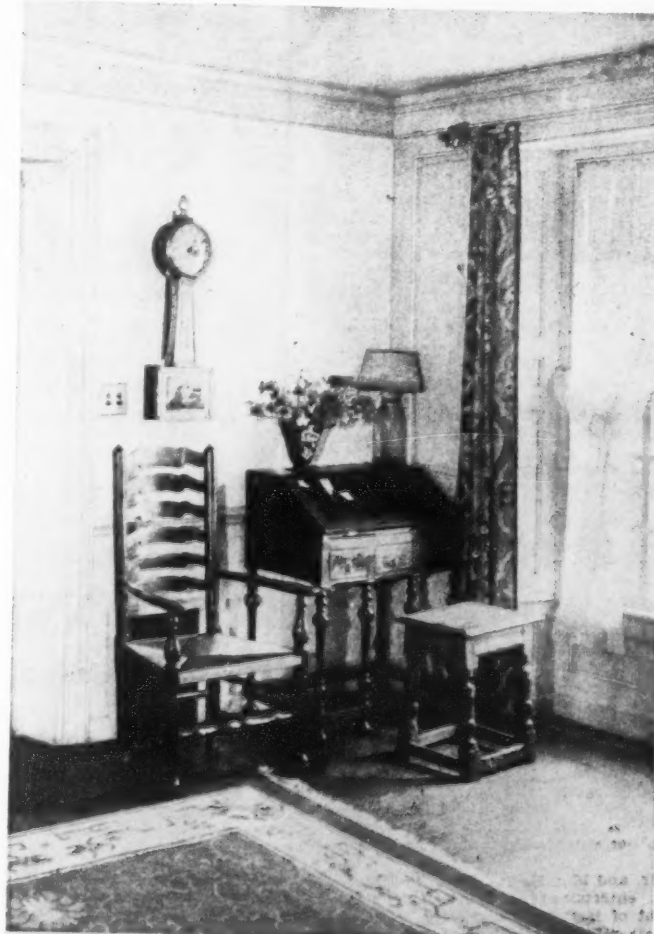
I REMEMBER so well entering with wonder and awe my beautiful grandmother's stately bedroom, with its enormous furniture and brocaded curtains, lavishly trimmed with fringe, cord and tassels, and being allowed to look at her jewel box, or dressing case—as they were often called. It stood on a low table in one window and was a large oblong box of beautifully shining wood. On the top was inlaid a silver plate with the family crest. The keyhole was ivory, and after grandmother had unlocked the box, we lifted the cover with eager fingers. Inside the cover was a mirror. One pressed a place in the velvet lining and out it popped, and would stand up too, for a little girl to admire her curls. Silver-topped bottles of beautifully-cut glass, two scent bottles also, (one filled with lavender

and her locket, inside which was grandmother's miniature, a young man with black side whiskers and a conquering air, although he was but twenty-three,—and a very handsome, young man he was too my dear, with excellent manners." Also there was a soft, little baby curl which belonged to my uncle who died aged three. One found too, bits of things like pearls, which turned out to be "some of the children's milk teeth." This tray lifted out by two little brass rings, and underneath were the cameo brooches, earrings and bracelets of the period. There were other pieces of jewellery of heavy gold and jet and also some hair bracelets and watch fobs like those described by Arnold Bennett in "The Old Wives Tale." No wonder it took a big box in those days to hold milady's jewels, for the contents were all so massive. Today our modern Miss is growing her hair, parting it demurely in the middle, and getting out her grandmother's jewellery which she at one time despised, to wear with her picture frocks. So even flaming youth is served through our boxes of long ago! But the best was yet to come. A little brass knob turned out to be a very long brass pin, and

Tea Caddies

THE tea caddy also was a most cherished possession, and with tea at a guinea a pound, it was given a resting place worthy of its value. Exquisite boxes they were, as a rule made of mahogany, and following closely the changes in furniture of the period. They too were given great care and thought by the cabinet-makers, and displayed on their shining surfaces, ornaments of brass, ivory and fine inlay. Inside the boxes were two compartments fitted with covers which kept the precious green and black tea absolutely air-proof. A silver caddy spoon fitted in or was kept with the tea. Another beautiful type of caddy depended entirely on the beauty of its wood, and the lion-head handles and ball feet. These are much sought after by collectors and extremely difficult to find.

The ages of the boxes can be often discovered by the small hall marks of the accompanying caddy spoons. One can visualize the whole scene: The tea being brought from the dining room, where it was kept in state under lock and key, to the careful mistress of the mansion, as she sat before the fire in her with-drawing room, her



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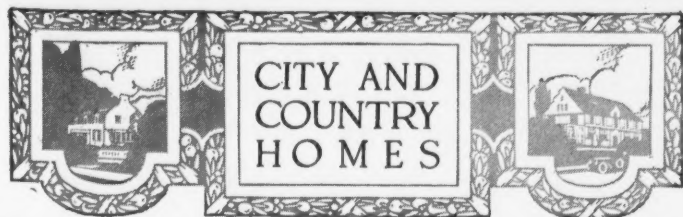
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laces caught at her breast by a cameo brooch, her rustling skirts spread out on the carpet, and one little foot resting on a needle-point stool. The Sheraton tea table was placed before her, and on it the tray with the delicate china, the slender spoons and gleam-

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A CARVED PINE CHIMNEYPIECE. CIRCA 1750.

ing, massive silver. Precisely at the moment her kettle boiled, she carefully measured into a heated china teapot, (for even then it was recognized that "metal and tea did not agree") the correct proportion of China and Ceylon, and poured on the bubbling water. Then sinking back in her chair she waited with quiet folded hands for the infusion to draw. The caddy was then sent back and my lady daintily sipped her tea. What grace and beauty attended the tea tables of gentle folk in the years that have passed! There seemed leisure to enjoy the picture of the gracious lady, her white-ringed hands moving among her priceless cups.

The Knife Box

WE NOW come to the knife-box, a gracefully balanced piece of artistry, which was generally done in rosewood or mahogany. These followed in the Sheraton tradition, being veneer inlay, and later with marquetry ornaments, and were greatly favored by cabinet makers around Edinburgh and the lowlands. They were tall and slender with lids slanting downwards, and originally contained knives and forks with sometimes a pair of carvers. Unfortunately these are as a rule, found empty. Sometimes these boxes were constructed like urns on a pedestal with the compartments for knives running round the inside. These are exceedingly rare and command great prices. The knife boxes were originally made in pairs, and often stood on either end of the sideboard with a tea caddy in the middle, or a bottle cabinet, matching in design, and containing rare cut-glass spirit bottles.

Spoon boxes were also used at that time but were never so common as the knife boxes. They are sometimes converted into tea caddies.

Writing Cases

WRITING cases too were considered the proper possession of every early Victorian lady of quality. They were almost always English lacquer done on papier-maché, and black was the ground color used. Many examples of these delightful boxes can still be picked up at reasonable prices, and although they may seem to have lost their brightness, a little olive oil and hand-polishing will do wonders to restore the soft glow and shades, in the inlay of mother-of-pearl. Velvet or tooled leather was used for the flap, and there were compartments for both pens, ink and stamps, as well as for paper, in the box below.

There is room in the spacious houses being furnished today for all these treasures, and they can doubtless be put to different uses. For instance, the knife box is often placed on a writing table and holds a generous supply of paper and envelopes. However, it would seem more fitting as far as possible, to place fine pieces in their proper settings, and in so doing regain some lost atmosphere of dignity and elegance.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ahrens, Galt, Ont., announce the engagement of their daughter, Sigrid, to Mr. Stephen Morgan Jones, Toronto, only son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Alfred Jones, Brantford, Ont., the marriage to take place early in January.



Mr. and Mrs. R. S. McLaughlin of Parkwood, Oshawa, entertained on Friday afternoon of last week, at an At Home which included an exhibition of their beautiful chrysanthemums in the large conservatory of Parkwood. Mrs. McLaughlin was handsomely gowned in rose-beige chiffon velvet, and, for ornament, wore a necklace of pearls and diamond earrings. Her flowers were mauve orchids. The tea table was tastefully arranged with a beautiful Italian lace cloth, crystal candelabra holding yellow candles, and yellow chrysanthemums. A number of ladies assisted Mrs. McLaughlin, including Mrs. J. J. Vaughan, Mrs. W. A. Kemp, Mrs. T. A. Brown, Mrs. A. L. Ellis, Mrs. Arnold Ivey, Mrs. Heintzman, Mrs. Ellsworth, Mrs. H. Love, Mrs. E. S. Senkler of Bowmanville, Mrs. Herbert Bruce, Mrs. J. D. Pangman, Mrs. W. A. Phillips, the Misses Eleanor and Isobel McLaughlin, Mrs. R. E. Mills, Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin's five hundred guests included, the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario and Mrs. Ross, attended by Lieut. Gordon Cameron, Colonel and Mrs. A. E. Gooderham, Mrs. D. A. Dunlap, Dr. Herbert Bruce, Mrs. Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Millicamp, Mrs. Dalton Davies, the Premier of Ontario and Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. F. N. G. Starr, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McAuley, Mr. and Mrs. Strachan Johnston, Mrs. J. H. Gundy, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Shell, Lady Gage, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Bonnard, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Laidlaw, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Vaughan, Mr. and Mrs. C. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rogers, Mrs. M. A. Cox, Mrs. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Ross, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Shaw, Mrs. M. A. Cox, Miss Cassie Bell, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Geikie, Mrs. Bull, Mrs. Tilley.

Miss Katherine and Miss Alice Hagarty, of Chestnut Park, Toronto, entertained at tea last Wednesday afternoon for Mrs. Robert Cassels of Bronxville, New York. Miss Katherine Hagarty and Mrs. Cassels received in the drawing room, which was done with chrysanthemums. Miss Katherine Hagarty in a French blue georgette with trimmings of the georgette, long earrings and diamond pendant. Mrs. Cassels wore a black velvet frock with lavender and silver metallic jumper, small black velvet toque with silver ornament and pointed fox fur. Miss Alice Hagarty was in a gown of beige georgette with lace of the same shade with cape effect at the back, rhinestone buckle and pink rose at the waist. Miss Clara Hagarty wore a becoming black satin frock with striped georgette and cut steel ornament. Mrs. Morley Whitehead and Mrs. George Schofield were in charge of the tea table, which was done with yellow candles in amber candlesticks and yellow and bronze chrysanthemums in an amber bowl. Mrs. S. C. Norworthy, Mrs. Haynes Chalmers, Miss Estelle Nordheimer and Miss Phyllis Cassels assisted in looking after the guests. Present were, Mrs. Drummond Mackey, Mrs. W. Houston, Mrs. H. C. Houston, Mrs. Allan Taylor, Mrs. O'Reilly, Mrs. Arthur Wilkie, Mrs. Rutherford Ford, Miss Ethel Murphy, Mrs. Norman Perry, Mrs. Casey Wood, Mrs. Harold Parsons, Mrs. Percy Robertson, Mrs. Haynes Chalmers, Mrs. L. McMurray, Miss Estelle Nordheimer, Miss McLellan, Mrs. F. C. Clarkson, Mrs. D'Eyncourt Strickland, Mrs. R. C. H. Cassels, Miss Frances Harman, Miss Adele Nordheimer, Mrs. Selby Martin, Mrs. John Lyle, Mrs. W. R. McPherson, Mrs. Grant Fletcher, Mrs. E. V. Nesbitt, Mrs. George McLaren, Mrs. Mabee and the Misses Wadsworth.

Miss Isabel Williams, of Toronto, entertained at bridge last week for a number of the season's debutantes.

Lady Pellatt, of Toronto, entertained at luncheon on Wednesday of last week for Mrs. S. Gzowski of Montreal.

Mrs. W. B. G. Holt, of Montreal, is in Toronto for the Winter Fair, guest of Miss Katherine Christie.

Mr. William Boulton of Toronto, who was in Montreal for the wedding of his cousin, Miss Barbara MacDougall and Mr. G. B. Foster, which took place on Monday of last week, was the guest of Hon. Herbert Marler and Mrs. Marler.

Major and Mrs. W. Hart, of Kingston, are giving a coming-out dance for their daughter, Miss Katherine Nadine Hart, on December 29.



MISS MARGARET BAINES
Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Baines, of Toronto, and one of the season's debutantes.
—Photo by J. Kennedy

Mrs. E. B. Stockdale, Toronto, gave a tea on Friday, the 16th, in honor of her debutante daughter, Miss Doris Stockdale. Mrs. Stockdale wore a gown of apple green chiffon, over silver metal cloth, with a drapery of chiffon over the shoulder, the bodice embroidered in sequins. She carried a bouquet of Richmond roses. The very numerous gift flowers to the debutante were artistically arranged about the room. Miss Stockdale was charming in a period frock of pale pink taffeta, the lower part of the full skirt being of silver lace. With it, she wore matching slippers of pink satin and carried



MISS BETTY ELLSWORTH, OF TORONTO
Who wore this Parisian gown and wig at the Coming-Out Dance given by her mother, Mrs. A. L. Ellsworth, for her at Glenilton, Toronto, on November 12th.
—Photo by J. Kennedy.

Briarcliffe roses and lilies-of-the-valley. In the drawing room, Mrs. Herbert Begg and Mrs. John Medland assisted in looking after the guests. Mrs. Stockdale gave corsages of orchids to her older assistants and to the assistants at tea wrist bouquets of violets and rosebuds. The table was attractively arranged with yellow and bronze chrysanthemums and yellow candles, and was presided over by Mrs. Thomas Rennie, Mrs. R. A. Farquharson, Mrs. R. C. Harris and Mrs. W. R. Begg. Those assisting in the tea room were: Mrs. F. W. Bowen, Miss Lorna Begg, Miss Mary McDougall, Miss Marion Coulson, Miss Marjorie McCutcheon, Francis Begg, Miss Catherine Harris, Miss Mary Clement, Miss Dorothy Marshall, Miss Marjorie McCutcheon, and Miss Miriam Chapman. Some of the 400 guests were: Miss Jean Harris, Miss Margaret McCausland, Miss Susan Smith, Miss Lillian Meighen, Miss Dorothy Stratton, Miss Betty Ellsworth, Miss Ella Northgrave, Miss Vivian Scott, Miss Eileen Page, Miss Isobel Thompson, Miss Ethel Agar, Miss Nancy McDougall, Misses Kathleen and Audrey Marselles, Miss Dorothy Thayer, Miss Frieda Henning, Miss Antoinette Lalonde, Miss Doris Turner, Miss Jean McPherson, Miss Dorothy Burnett, Miss Margaret Sommerville, Miss Martha Sommerville, Mrs. James H. Spence, Mrs. Dr. Sanderson, Mrs. Harry McGee, Mrs. J. B. McArthur, Mrs. Fred Cleland, Mrs. Geo. Dunbar, Mrs. Lionel Cutten, Mrs. A. R. Fisher, Mrs. A. M. Ivey, Mrs. James J. Warren, Mrs. Z. Gallagher, Mrs. Fred Buller, Mrs. Thos. Agar, Mrs. Sam Harris, Mrs. Duncan J. McDougall, Mrs. Hugh Robertson, Mrs. W. W. Evans, Mrs. L. Monypenny, Mrs. A. L. Smith, Mrs. A. G. Lang, Mrs. Norman Sommerville, Mrs. Dr. Paul, Mrs. Nicholas

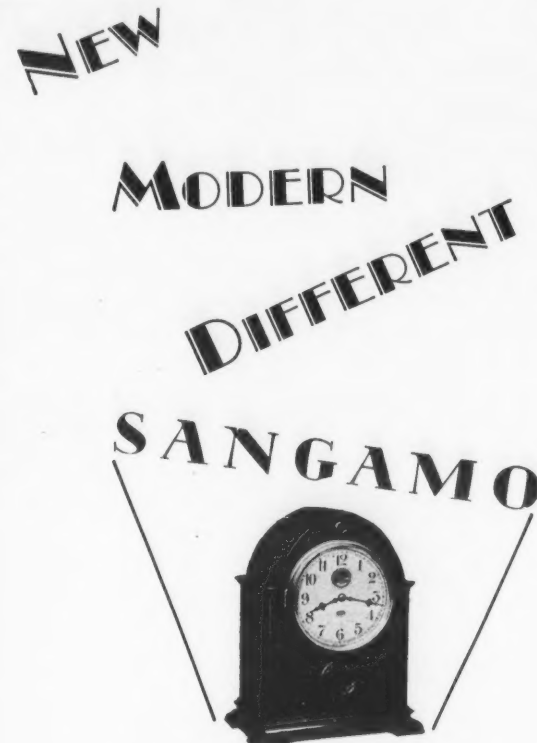
Garland. The assistants at the tea, with about fifty friends, were afterwards entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Stockdale at a theatre party and at supper thereafter at the Granite Club.

Mrs. R. S. Williams, of Toronto, and Miss Isobel Williams are spending ten days in Detroit.

Mrs. D. A. Dunlap, of Toronto, entertained on Friday of last week at a luncheon of twelve guests at which Mrs. W. D. Ross, wife of the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, was the guest of honor.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Blackburn, of Ottawa, arrived in Toronto from Ottawa on Wednesday of this week to attend the Winter Fair and Horse Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert A. May, of Pittsburg, Pa., will be in Toronto this week-end for the Horse Show, and will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hendrie.



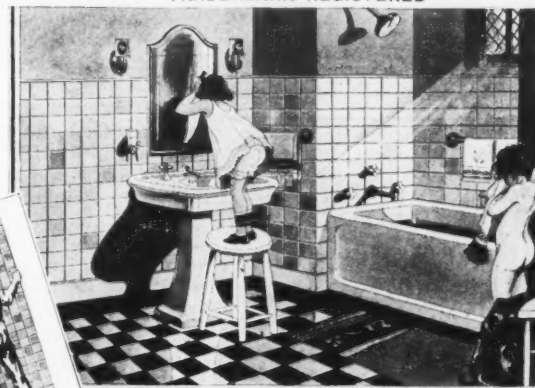
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Miss Anne Osler is again in Bronte, after visiting Miss Susan Ross at Government House, Rosedale, Toronto.

Mr. Sigmund Samuel, of Toronto, and his daughter, Miss Florence May Samuel, sailed from New York on the 17th, for England.

The Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario and Mrs. Ross will attend the ball given by the president, officers and members

of St. Andrew's Society, Toronto, on Nov. 30, at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Colville, of Pine Avenue, West, Montreal, were recently weekend guests of Mr. Harris Hees, of St. George Street, Toronto.

Prof. W. P. M. Kennedy recently returned to Toronto from Ottawa and Montreal.



The most brilliant social event of the mid-season in Saint John was the Armistice Military Ball given by the Saint John Garrison Officers' Mess at the Armories on Monday evening. The beautiful decorations consisted of flags, ensigns and pennants, and made the Drill Hall where the function took place a colorful picture. The Fusilliers' Band furnished delightful music for dancing and was placed on a grand stand in the centre of the huge ballroom. Brigadier General F. W. Hill, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., officer commanding District No. 7, and Mrs. Hill, Major D. Vincent White, President of the Garrison Officers' Mess, and Mrs. White received the great number of guests. Mrs. Hill wore a beautiful gown of Delphineum blue crepe embroidered with crystals and diamante, while Mrs. White wore a period gown of shell pink satin with tulle ruffles. There were many smart gowns worn by the ladies and the brilliant uniforms of the officers and the black coats of the gentlemen contrasted with charming effect. The novelty dances proved most enjoyable and were accompanied by showers of confetti and colored streamers. The several committees who acted, included Captain A. S. W. White, chairman, assisted by Major Larter, and Captain Wallace Alward, Lt. Col. Andrew J. Rainnie, Captain K. C. Clauson, Capt. P. V. Harcourt, and Lieut. Paul C. Quinn.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Poole MacKeen arrived in Saint John on Monday en route to their home in Halifax, after a honeymoon trip to Bermuda, New York and Montreal. Mr. and Mrs. MacKeen were visiting at Carleton House, the residence of Mrs. MacKeen's parents, the Hon. and Mrs. L. P. D. Tilley, Saint John.

Mrs. Tucker of Bermuda, who has been visiting Major and Mrs. Alfred C. Larter in Saint John, left on Saturday for Toronto, where she will visit her son before returning to her home in Bermuda.

Mrs. Roy Ings of Port Dill, P.E.I., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. H. Leed at their residence in Summer Street, Saint John.

Lieut. Colonel and Mrs. R. J. Brooks are spending the Thanksgiving week in Halifax, visiting former friends.

Mrs. King Hazen of Fredericton, who has been visiting her son, Sir Douglas Hazen and Lady Hazen, Saint John, has returned home. Before leaving she was the guest of Mrs. King Hazen Jr. at an enjoyable small farewell tea at the latter's residence on Wright Street, when those present were Mrs. Hazen, Mrs. Murray MacLaren, Mrs. H. A. Powell, Mrs. Chandler, Mrs. W. MacLaughlin, Mrs. R. MacKenzie, Mrs. W. Ewing, Mrs. David Chisholm, Miss Maclell Gilbert and Miss Frances Tibbitts who is visiting her sister, Lady Hazen, and who, on this occasion presided at the prettily arranged tea table at five o'clock.

The Church of the Redeemer was the scene of a very pretty wedding, Saturday afternoon, November the 17th, when Miss Margaret Robertson became the bride of Mr. J. Frederick Lucas. The Reverend Dr. Cosgrave, Provost of Trinity College, performed the ceremony. The bride was given away by Professor A. H. Young, of Trinity College, and wore an unusual gown of French ivory moire, embroidered in silver. Her veil was of old lace, and she carried a bouquet of butterfly roses, lily of the valley, and forget-me-nots. The bridesmaid, Miss Anne Kelly, wore a becoming gown of pink moire with hat of pink felt lined with moire. The junior bridesmaids, Miss Elise Howe, Miss Shirley Howe, Miss Kathleen Wallace and Miss Lois Best, wore frocks of pale pink georgette with hats to match. They carried nosegays of violets and roses. The bridegroom was attended by Mr. R. Coulton Berkinshaw and the ushers were Mr. Harvey Lucas, of Markdale, Mr. Kenneth Cowper, of Welland, and Mr. Harry Gordon Keen. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Provost's Lodge, Trinity College, when Mrs. Cosgrave, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Keen, Mrs. J. A. Robinson, Mrs. C. M. Hughes and Professor Young received with the bridal party. Following the reception Mr. and Mrs.



MISS KATHLEEN ROLLS AND HER BRIDAL ATTENDANTS AT SANTE FE, NEW MEXICO
From Left to Right the bride's mother and father, Dr. and Mrs. James R. Rolls, Miss Olive Allen, of Gderich, the bride, the bridegroom, Dr. Frederick C. Fishback, Rev. W. Waller, Mr. Cassius McCormick, best man, and the bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Frederick Fishback, of Washington. The bride is a niece of Mrs. Henry Cockshutt, of Brantford, Ontario.

Lucas left for New York, the bride travelling in a French-blue ensemble, with hat and shoes to match. On their return they will reside at 28 Madison Avenue.

Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Bates and Dr. Kendal Bates held a delightful reception on Sunday afternoon in the beautiful studio on Jarvis Street, Toronto, of Miss Mona Bates, the distinguished pianist, in honor of Dr. William F. Snow, of New York. The spacious and attractive studio was decorated with chrysanthemums in bronze and crimson and gold. Mrs. Gordon Bates received the guests in a smartly becoming gown of moonlight blue velvet. Mrs. A. G. Bates and her daughter, Miss Mona Bates, assisted the two hosts and hostesses in looking after the comfort of the guests. The tea-table was presided over by Mrs. A. E. Gooderham, Mrs. F. N. G. Starr, Lady Willison and Mrs. Joseph Thompson. These ladies were assisted by Mrs. F. Denison Taylor, Mrs. J. Harvey Johnson, Miss Barbara Roberts, Miss Adele Doney, Miss M. Bullock, Miss Beryl Miles, Miss Margaret Lansdowne, Miss W. Mellecke, Miss K. Moore, Miss Francis Duncan, the Misses Margaret and Agnes Brown and Miss Roberts. Those present included, Hon. Mr. Justice Hodgins, Mrs. Hodgins, Professor Maurice Hutton, Mrs. D. A. Dunlap, Mrs. H. D. Warren, Mr. Gerald Larkin, Sir William and Lady Hearst, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. Eaton, Dr. and Mrs. Doolittle, Mr. and Mrs. T. Sheard, Dr. and Mrs. Robertson Caven, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Godfrey, Judge and Mrs. Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buchanan, Miss Agnes White, Woodstock, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Laidlaw, Dr. and Mrs. A. J. MacKenzie, Dr. and Mrs. George Porter, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. S. McCullough, Hon. Newton Rowell, Mrs. Rowell, Colonel Reginald Geary, Dr. and Mrs. Harris McPhedran, Judge and Mrs. Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Melville White, Mrs. Guy Hume, Dr. and Mrs. J. Cosbie, Colonel and Mrs. Newton Young, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Eaton, Professor and Mrs. W. A. Parks, Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Hunter.

Rev. Dr. Bedford-Jones, D. D., of Perth, Ontario, with Mrs. Jones and their family will shortly take up their residence in Ottawa, Dr. Jones having received the appointment of rector of St. George's Church, in succession to the Ven. Archdeacon Snowdon, who has recently resigned.

Lieut.-Col. Gavin L. Ogilvie, of Montreal, chairman of the ball committee for St. Andrew's Ball, which is taking place on the evening of November 30, and Mrs. Ogilvie are entertaining at a dinner for twenty-four guests at the Windsor Hotel before the ball.

The Hon. W. F. Todd, LL.D., Lieut.-Governor of New Brunswick, spent the Thanksgiving week-end with his daughter, Mrs. J. Carleton Brown, at the Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal.

Mrs. Victor C. Buchanan and Miss Kathleen Buchanan are again in Montreal after six months spent abroad. They were passengers in the S. S. Duchess of Atholl.

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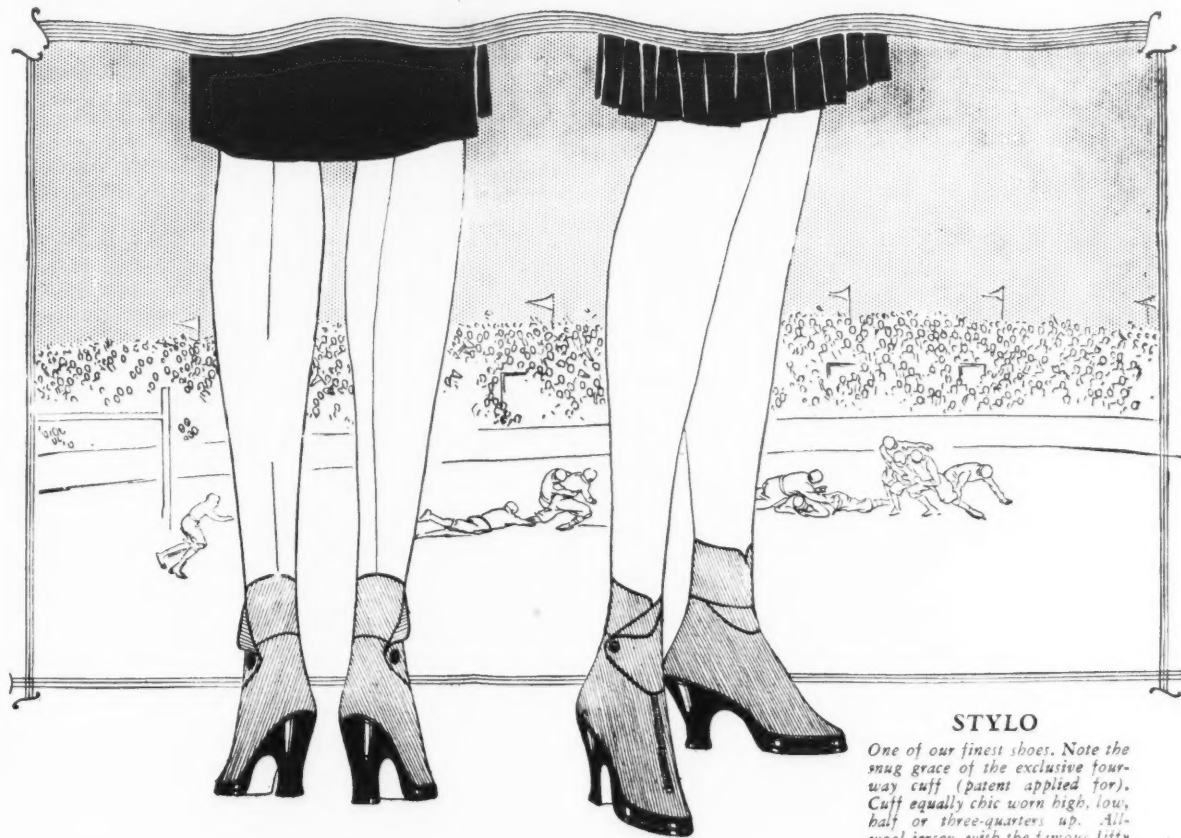
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Mrs. W. C. Hodgson is again in Montreal from Toronto where she was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Scandrett.

Sir Esme Howard, Ambassador of Great Britain to the United States and Lady Howard are again in Washington after a visit to Ottawa where they were the guests of the British High Commissioner to Canada, Sir William Clark, and Lady Clark.



Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, beautifully decorated for the occasion, was the scene of a lovely wedding on Monday afternoon of last week at half-past four o'clock, when Barbara Helen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon W. MacDougall, was married to Mr. George B. Foster, son of Senator and Mrs. George G. Foster. The Very Rev. Dean Arthur Carlisle performed the ceremony, assisted by Rev. Canon A. P. Shattford, and the service was choral. The chancel was decorated with tall standards of small chrysanthemums and banked with Boston ferns and palms, and Madonna lilies adorned the altar. The bride was attended by Miss Beatrice Eberts, as maid of honor, and

T. S. Gillespie, aunt of the bride was in a gown of red georgette and lace, with a hat of the same shade. Miss Martha MacDougall, cousin of the bride, wore a frock of green crepe de chine with a green velvet coat with leopard skin, and a hat to match the frock. Mr. and Mrs. Foster left later for Washington en route for Asheville, N. C., the bride travelling in a frock of Chanel blue cloth with a coat of the same color with lynx collar and cuffs and wearing a close-fitting small hat of Chanel blue felt. Among the out-of-town guests were Dr. and Mrs. Hugh Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Erwin and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Creighton, of Ottawa; Mr. Clarence Bogert and Mr. William



MRS. D'ARCY COULSON
Who before her recent marriage in Toronto was Miss Denise Phelan.
—Photo by Charles Aylett.

eight bridesmaids, Miss Elizabeth MacDougall, sister of the bride, Miss Ethel Olive Joseph, Miss Elsie Wallis, Miss Patricia O'Brien, Miss Virginia Reynolds, of Richmond, Va., Miss Frances Douglas, Miss Cora Kennedy and Miss Betty Molson. Mr. Ernest LeMessurier was best man for Mr. Foster, and the ushers were Mr. R. F. Haddenby, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, Mr. W. R. G. Holt, Mr. C. B. Grier, Mr. M. L. Williams, Mr. Maurice Hodgson, Mr. William Benson, Mr. Geoffrey Benson, Mr. Peter Gillespie and Mr. S. T. Blacklock. Mr. MacDougall gave his daughter away. She wore a gown of ivory satin lined with shell pink georgette, having a long close-fitting bodice with close-fitting sleeves and full skirt falling low at the back, with a girdle of pearls and diamonds. Pearls and diamonds embroidered her long train which was lined with shell-pink chiffon and a deep hem of silver lace with orange blossoms falling from her shoulders. A bandeau of rosepoint lace embroidered in diamante held her tulle veil. She wore white satin slippers with brilliant buckles. Her only ornament was a tassel chain and she carried a large bouquet of Madonna lilies, white heather and lilies of the valley. Her attendants were dressed alike in gowns of apricot tulle over satin their bodices long and close-fitting and the tiered skirts drooped at the back, with girdles of satin ribbon caught at the side with square diamond buckles. They wore picture hats of apricot mohair with velvet streamers, crepe de chine slippers of the same shade, with diamond buckles, the gift of the bride, and carried bouquets of small apricot shaded chrysanthemums. Little Miss Diana MacDougall, the bride's sister, who was flower girl, wore a frock of apricot tulle and satin fashioned after the bridal attendants, a mohair poke bonnet and carried a bouquet of apricot shaded miniature chrysanthemums. The reception following the wedding was held at the residence of the bride's parents, on Ontario avenue, where the decorations were carried out in small single pom-poms shading from yellow to bronze, yellow roses and ferns. Mrs. MacDougall, the bride's mother, wore a coat of green, blue and beige printed velvet with Russian sable cuffs over a gown of jade green crepe roman, a green felt hat with beige pom-pom at the side, and carried green orchids and yellow roses. Mrs. Foster, mother of the bridegroom wore heliotrope velvet with a velvet hat of a deep tone and silver fox furs, and carried violets. Mrs. W. M. Marler, grandmother of the bride, was in a gown of gunmetal transparent velvet, with a black velvet hat and wore blue fox furs. Mrs. Herbert Marler, aunt of the bride, wore a gown of fawn georgette, with a hat of the same shade. Mrs. R. E. Haddenby, sister of the bridegroom, was in a gown of midnight blue georgette with a silver girdle, with a hat of the same color and sable furs. Miss Josephine MacDougall, sister of the bride, wore a gown of red printed chiffon and a beige cloth coat with ermine collar, with a felt hat to match, and carried a colonial bouquet.

Mrs. John Baillie, aunt of the bridegroom, wore a beige and gold gown, a beige velvet hat and sable furs. Mrs. R. E. MacDougall, aunt of the bride, was gown in brown printed velvet with pointe de Milan lace, and wore a brown felt toque and sable furs. Mrs. Boulton, of Toronto; Mrs. Bernard Behn, of New York, and Mrs. Harland Skerrett of Hartford, Conn.

The Royal Ottawa Golf club was the scene of a smart dance on Thursday night, November 8, given by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Larmonth in honor of their daughter, Miss Leila Larmonth, who is one of the season's attractive debutantes. Lovely chrysanthemums in brilliant autumn tones were used to decorate the club house. Mrs. Larmonth wore a handsome gown of gold metallic cloth. Mrs. Larmonth was in an exquisite model of eggshell satin with rhinestones and silver. She carried a sheaf of Kord rose-buds. More than 200 of the younger set of the Capital were present, including this year's debutantes. Those from out-of-town invited were, the Misses Olga Winter, Audrey Shorey, Brenda Markham, Kay Simpson, Paula Brodeur, Frances Thompson, Sheila Brierly, Dorothy Nichol, Mary Stuart, Doris Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Toner Brodeur, the Messrs. Oswald Markham, Selwyn Irwin, William Simpson, Leitham York, Walnright Shaw, all of Montreal, Miss Evelyn Booth, Toronto, the Misses Marzaret and Jean Dobbie, of Galt, Miss Helen Meredith, Miss Frances Carr and Miss Barbara Stephens, all of Quebec, and the Misses Audrey and Sonia Henderson, of Hamilton.

Sir Montagu and Lady Allen of Montreal spent a few days last week in that city. Sir Montagu left later to visit Dr. and Mrs. John L. Todd in Aiken, South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Booth of Ottawa entertained recently at a large buffet luncheon in honor of their guests, Mrs. Ashworth Fellows and the Misses Eva and Nancy Borland of Scotland.

Among guests this week at the Ritz Carlton are Lady Carson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Jamieson and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Anderson of Toronto. Mrs. W. G. Kinlock of Ottawa, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gage of Winnipeg were guests for a few days prior to sailing for England. Miss K. W. Grier has arrived from London, England, and Mrs. Lustgarten has recently returned from Vienna and the Continent, and will be at the Ritz for some time.

Mrs. Coote Shaby, of Riverbend, Quebec, is the guest of Colonel J. J. Sharples and Mrs. Sharples at the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec.

Miss Julia MacBrien of Hamilton, Ont., who has been visiting in Ottawa, guest of Miss Eileen Scott, has also been the guest for a week of Miss Edna Edwards.

Miss Allison Cumming is again in Vancouver. Her sisters, Mrs. A. P. S. Glasco and Miss Hawlings in Montreal.

Mrs. Henry Joseph and Miss Ethel Olive Joseph, of Montreal, have been spending a few days at Ste. Agathe.

Lady Allen, of Montreal, recently entertained at dinner for Mrs. Claude Heuback of Winnipeg.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry, of Montreal, sailed on Saturday of last week in the S. S. Majestic for England.



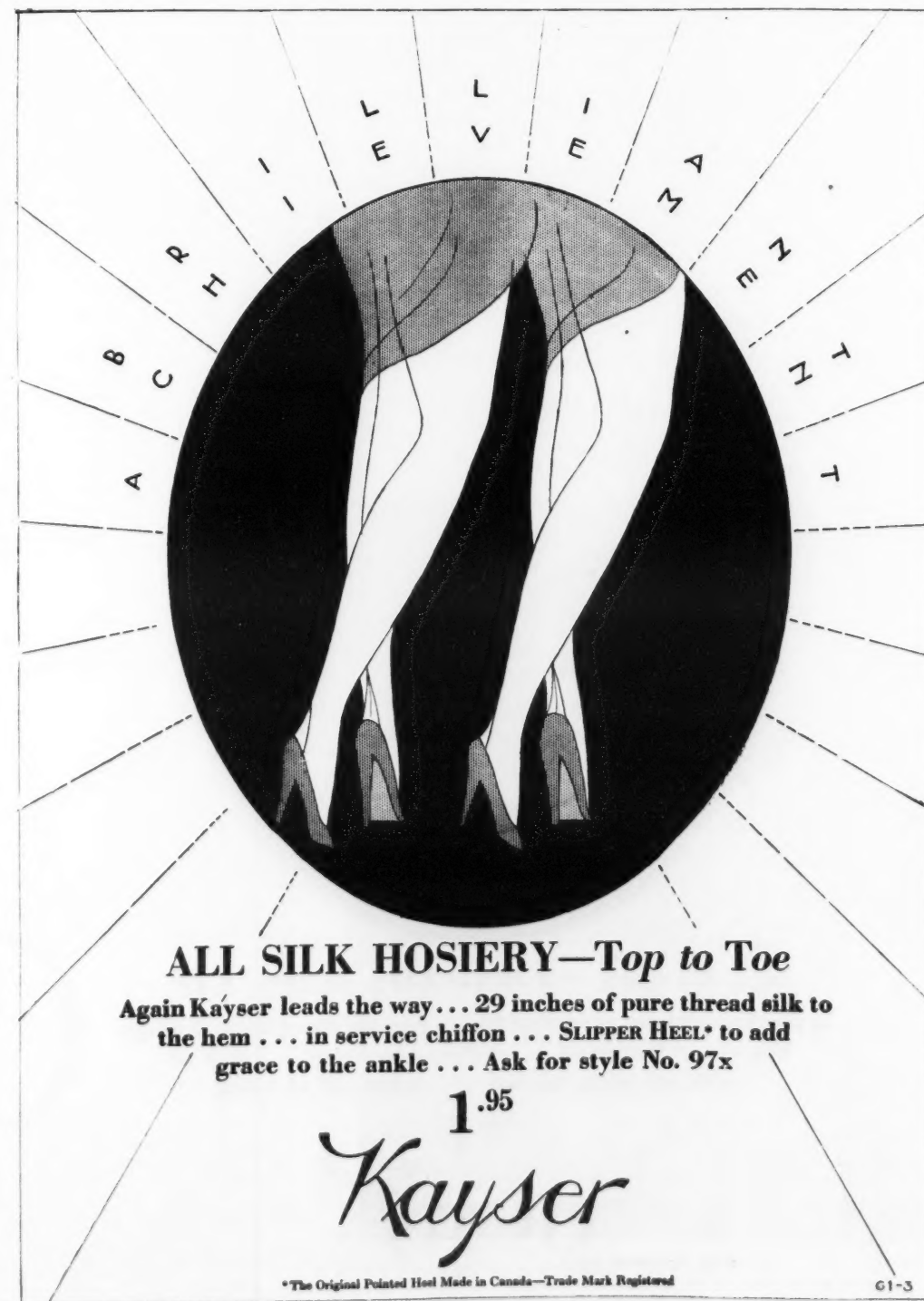
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Safety for
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TORONTO, CANADA, NOVEMBER 24, 1928

P. M. Richards,
Financial Editor

GOVERNMENTS MUST ACT IN NEWSPRINT CRISIS

Premier Ferguson's Recent Statement to Newsprint Companies Fails to Touch Crux of Situation—Preservation of Forests Most Vital Point at Issue To Survive Crisis, Newsprint Companies May be Forced to Use Only Most Easily Accessible Timber and Abandon Present Conservation Work—Enforced Economies May Irreparably Damage Priceless National Asset

By A FORESTER

IN THESE days a glance at any publication dealing with current problems will discover many allusions to the Newsprint "War"—nearly all of which are confined to analyses and forecasts as to the effect the present crisis will have upon the securities of the various newsprint companies. There seems to be very little serious consideration given to the effect that a price of \$50.00 per ton or less for newsprint will have upon Canada's forests and thus indirectly upon general national prosperity in future years.

As "average citizens" we are all deeply concerned, or should be in the manner in which our forest capital is administered. Continued growth and prosperity must inevitably depend to a large extent upon the continuous application of a sound forest policy, on the part of the Government, that will safeguard our wood supply from unreasonable exploitation and produce permanently the greatest annual income of new wealth from the wood-using industries.

The present crisis in the newsprint industry affords very pointed proof that past Governmental forest policy, through lack of foresight if from no other cause, has brought about a situation which will not only cost the nation over thirty million dollars in cash and in net favorable trade balance, but will also damage, more or less irreparably, the long-term producing power of our forests. The original blunder, which has already very seriously depressed Canada's largest and most vital manufacturing industry, must in final analysis be attributed to the Government forest policy—perhaps lack of forest policy would be a better description of the wholesale timber limit distribution which recent years have witnessed.

At \$50 per ton for newsprint, this industry is operating virtually at a loss and Canada is practically giving away her forests to our neighbours across the line.

Too many of us are apt to turn away from this disagreeable situation with a shrug and the vague belief that it is no concern of ours on the ground that newsprint men have got themselves into this trouble through their own greed and now must suffer for it until demand catches up with plant-capacity. This judgment is too superficial.

It is the "man in the street" who will be chiefly affected, and who will suffer long after the newsprint companies have recovered and are operating on a sounder basis without the extravagances and inefficiencies which the good old days of \$75 to \$100 per ton for newsprint had fostered. The public is prone to regard a large incorporated company as a kind of avaricious monster, intent only upon grabbing as much of the nation's resources as it can get its hands on, and will point to the pulpwood limit scramble of recent times as an example.

It is a fact that the Directors of our paper companies are men of the highest calibre. They realize their responsibilities and are most anxious to promote general national prosperity as a means of insuring their own companies' success.

When forest limits were offered for auction by the Government in the greatest profusion and quite regardless of any intelligent application of a policy of permanent forest production, the existing mills were forced into undertaking almost ridiculous expansion projects, quite against their better judgment. With the lease of each new limit, went a contract by which the lessee was obligated to a construction project involving the expenditure of so many millions of dollars and the employment of so many hundreds of men. The existing mills, in self protection, were forced to agree to such projects in order to keep these new limits under intelligent control, to insure themselves enough wood for permanent operation and to keep out harmful and un-economic competition.

Perhaps rivalry or jealousy among the Provinces started this general limit "hand-out". It was like watching a poker game, with the various Provinces sitting in, each with a pat hand, a full wallet, and a backer behind

(big business interests) ready to urge on the betting. The game becomes tense as the pot in the centre of the table reaches outrageous proportions. So greedily intent are the players that their whole attention is riveted on that table, and their opponents. Suddenly at the door appears a masked gunman (Hearst). For a time he watches, in silent amusement, as the pot gets richer and richer. At last with a curt command, he grabs the pot and leisurely departs, leaving a room-full of stunned and foolish-looking men.

That settles the newsprint industry for a year or two. Cut costs? Naturally—and cut woods and logging costs most of all. Cut out, say, \$2.00 per ton of costs, spent on forestry work, plantations, better cutting

This article is written as a sincere attempt to bring home to the public a few of the mistakes that have been made and are still being made, not so much by business men in the paper industry, as through mal-administration of our forest lands. It is not an attack upon the individuals responsible for these mistakes so much as an honest endeavour to point out some of the fundamental weaknesses in the present state of affairs from the point of view of a body of men who have made the business of perpetuating Canada's wood supply their life-work and who have given many years of study to the problem. Nothing is more discouraging than to meet with a profound indifference on the part of those who have the power to alter things but who find that it is

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Lack of foresight, petty politics and unintelligent administration have caused a situation, the full effects of which have yet to be felt.

At \$50 per ton for newsprint Canada is practically giving away her forests to our neighbors across the line.

A \$50 price for newsprint may mean that newsprint companies will have to discard everything and anything that involves spending money on our forests in order to produce a perpetual source of income through permanent forest production. No one should blame a paper company if present conditions force it to do all this and more in order to show a profit. That would settle Canada's forests for the next couple of hundred years or so.

Reorganization and changed policy offer the only means of protecting Canada's forests from uneconomic exploitation, but this can only be achieved by sustained interest and perhaps some bitter opposition. Is it too much to suppose that fine results would accrue to our timber lands if they were entrusted to the administration of a capable, politically-unattached, Forest Economist?

This article is written in a sincere attempt to bring home to the public a few of the mistakes that have been made and are still being made, not so much by business men in the paper industry, as through mal-administration of our forest lands.

methods, purchase of high-priced exportable wood to prevent such wood leaving the country. Cut this young growing timber here, where it is so handy to the mill, and let that old stuff blow down and rot—it's too far away, and too expensive to log. Throw overboard the whole bag of tricks—anything that has to do with spending money on our forests to produce a perpetual source of income through permanent forest production! No one should blame paper companies if present conditions force them to do all this and more, in order to show a profit.

That would settle Canada's forests for the next couple of hundred years or so.

GOLD & DROSS

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Editor, Gold and Dross:
I have read your reports on different stock companies and mining shares of the last year. Please let me know what you think of Chukuni Red Lake claims, as a party was through this district some time ago selling shares. He claimed that he was not worked to any extent as yet, but that being near Noranda it ought to pay well.

—M. L., Lindsay, Ont.

If Chukuni Red Lake claims are near Noranda then truly Canada is a country of magnificent distances. They are only about 1,000 miles apart, a mere step in these days of fast aeroplanes and swift moving mining men. The Chukuni claims have truly not been worked to any great extent. They are raw prospects, the kind of stuff that is known in the north as moose pasture.

GRAHAM-PAIGE MOTORS COMMON STOCK

Editor, Gold and Dross:
A friend is recommending the common stock of Graham-Paige Motors Corporation as a good purchase at the present time, with good prospects of appreciation in value shortly. Could you let me know the structure of their capital; have they any preferred stock or is it all common, and have they any bonded indebtedness? Are they paying dividends on the common, and if so, how much? Please excuse the numerous questions, but I have no idea of their standing, other than newspaper reports indicate an expansion since the Graham Brothers became interested.

L.H., Langenburg, Sask.

This is one of the most rapidly growing companies in the passenger automobile industry, and while its common stock appears over-valued at present levels around 45% on the basis of the near term earnings prospects, I consider it to possess attractive long pull possibilities. The readjustment programme is now largely completed and, reflecting that fact, the concern's profits promise to show further and more substantial expansion during 1929.

As you doubtless know, the company was formerly the Paige-Detroit Motor Car Company, which was renamed following the acquisition of control by Graham Brothers. The company manufactures medium priced six and eight cylinder passenger cars, also motors and bodies. The new capital introduced into the company last year bolstered its financial condition and, stimulated by growth in its dealer organization and the introduc-

tion of new models, business has thus far in 1928 been of record volume.

The output for the first nine months of the current fiscal year was more than 250 per cent. larger than in the corresponding period of 1927, the sharpest gain enjoyed by any one of the leading companies. Net income for the nine months was \$2,493,478, equal to \$1.58 per common share, as compared with a net loss of \$1,796,104 for the similar period of 1927 and with a deficit of \$4,643,351 for the whole of last year. Indications are that nearly \$2.50 per common share will be made in the full year 1928, notwithstanding the large expenditures for plant expansion, etc.

The outstanding capitalization consists of \$1,900,000 of 7 per cent. cumulative preferred stock, \$3,691,100 of 7 per cent. cumulative convertible second preferred, and 1,430,863 no par common shares. There is no funded debt. No dividends have been paid on the common stock since 1926, and dividends on the second preferred, of which more than 90 per cent. is owned by Graham Brothers, were passed early this year.

COSMOPOLITAN VARIETY STORES, LTD.

Editor, Gold and Dross:
Will you please read and express an opinion on the enclosed prospectus and other documents I have received (unsolicited) from a concern calling itself the Cosmopolitan Fiscal Corporation, of 799 Broadway, New York? As you will see, it invites subscriptions for the shares of the Cosmopolitan Variety Stores Limited, which, according to the literature, is to establish a chain of popular priced stores in Western Canada. How do you like the proposition?

R.H.M., Edmonton, Alta.

I don't like it at all. The "prospectus" confines itself almost entirely to generalities and contains practically none of the vital facts to which every prospective investor is entitled. It deals at length with the successes achieved by Woolworth, S. S. Kresge, S. H. Kress, F. & W. Grand and other operators of chain store systems in the United States, but apparently wants you to take its own proposition on trust.

Statements such as "The managing director and his associates feel confident that any and all participants in this venture cannot fail to profit in a large way" and

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are loyal to their supporters and may be forced, by political expediency, into disregarding expert advice on forestry problems when the wisdom of opening up new forest limits is under question.

We must now stand by and see the nation's forests subject to destructive logging of the old familiar type—getting the cheapest wood in the cheapest possible manner, regardless of posterity and future national welfare.

The newsprint industry will, in the course of a few years, recover from its present depression, but the forests which support the industry may be irreparably damaged.

In final analysis we are forced to conclude that it was in the power of the Government, as trustees of the forests, to have resisted the urge to cash in too quickly on this sudden display of wealth which economic conditions in this Continent offered. There was the power to curtail production by refusing limits for new developments until market conditions were ripe. But lack of foresight, petty politics, and unintelligent administration have caused a situation, the full effects of which have yet to be felt.

That Government executives have not yet realized that their forest administrative policy leaves much to be desired is all too evident. Premier Ferguson was quoted recently as saying "We did say some time ago that there was room for only about one more big pulp mill, but that is not to say that we cannot sell cutting rights on little tracts of timber which are tributary to existing mills."

It is the selling of these "little tracts of timber" that is doing so much damage. In the past 3 months, in one small section of the Province alone, over 500 sq. miles of such "little tracts" containing probably over half a million cords of spruce, have been distributed. The reason? Election time will shortly be upon us. These "little tracts" do not go, as might be supposed, to existing mills. They go, almost without exception, to the political adherents of local members of the House. Many of the buyers are not even timbermen, but influential aldermen and such, with businesses of their own in the city.

Last year, an area of over 2,000 sq. miles of pulpwood was given without public auction to a bankrupt sawmill company, which already owned 700 sq. miles of excellent timber only 25 per cent. cut over, and whose troubles were entirely due to the most appalling inefficiency and waste ever seen in logging operations in the country. This company had in its midst a man whose political connections were of the strongest kind. The excuse given for the grant was that it was to re-instate a long-established concern whose difficulties were due to post-war depression and lack of accessible timber.

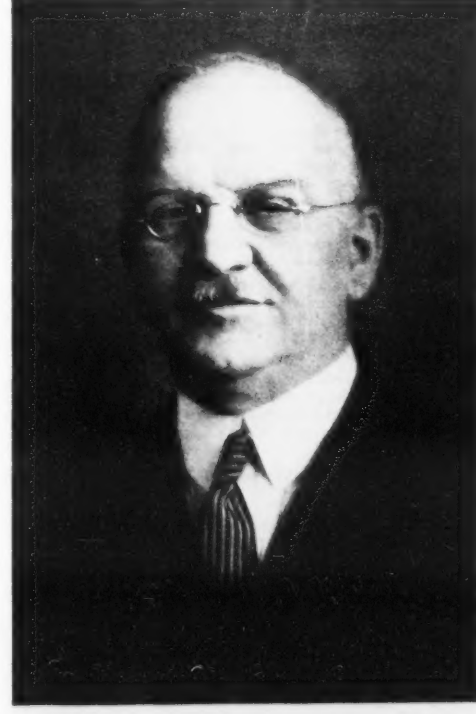
Were it not for the selling of these "little tracts of timber", there might have been room for further major developments in the pulp-mill business. Existing mills, which, contrary to general belief, are now left without timber supplies sufficient to ensure permanency, might have been able to say, "We now have enough mature and immature timber to last our mill at present capacity for one whole rotation, for the length of time it takes to grow a tree from seed to commercial proportions. We are now self-supporting—a complete unit in the industry—and we will set about re-investing funds in maintenance of forest production, so that this unit will furnish perpetually enough wood to run a mill at our present capacity."

The parcelling out of these "little tracts" means that large areas suitable for pulpwood limits are not only cut up into small uneconomic units of timber, with all accessible means of transportation obstructed by small limit holders who have obtained driving rights, etc. on the main rivers, but that such larger areas are robbed of all cheap and readily accessible timber, thus considerably decreasing the stumpage value of the less accessible

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HON. L. A. TASCHEREAU
What Action Will His Government Take to Prevent the Destruction of Quebec's Forests?



HON. G. HOWARD FERGUSON
What Action Will His Government Take to Prevent the Destruction of Ontario's Forests?

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Year ended 30th September, 1928

Your Directors have pleasure in presenting herewith the Eightieth Annual Report of the operations and progress of the Company, together with the Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended September 30th, 1928.

The past year has been one of continued growth, the volume of gas output being substantially in excess of preceding years. On September 4th last, a total volume of 20,108,000 cubic feet of gas was distributed, constituting a record output for a single day. The maximum daily output record prior to 1928 has been exceeded on eight occasions during the year.

The total number of gas meters in service at the close of the year was 160,347, a net gain of 4,617 during the year.

The revenues, expenses and operating results are summarized as follows:

Gross Earnings	\$7,448,515 71
Operating Expenses	5,355,634 87
Net Earnings	2,092,880 84
Special Surplus Account, Oct. 1, 1927	89,162 74
	\$2,182,043 58
Interest, Dividends and Plant and Buildings	
Renewal Fund	2,031,331 29
Special Surplus Account September 30th, 1928	\$150,712 29

There were slight reductions in the unit prices of gas coal and gas oil as compared with the preceding year, and the result of these lower costs is reflected in the Income Statement, although the prices of these commodities are still 60 per cent. and 125 per cent. greater than their respective prices prior to 1915.

The amount of taxation levied upon the Company by the Dominion, Provincial and Municipal Authorities continues to increase. In the year 1928 taxes amounted to the sum of \$370,631.44.

The Company has paid in wages and salaries to its employees during the year an amount of \$2,052,152.32. The number of employees on the pay roll, at certain seasons of the year, has reached nearly 1,600.

The manufacturing plant and other properties of the Company have been fully maintained in good physical condition, the amount spent on repairs and renewals throughout the year being \$689,281.41.

There have been no important additions made to the manufacturing plant during the year. Extensions to the distribution system have been made where there has been a reasonable demand for gas service.

In order to provide much needed office accommodation and to take care of future requirements, the Directors in February last, took advantage of an opportunity to purchase premises adjoining the Company's present office buildings, viz., numbers 21 to 23 Toronto Street and the South East Corner of Toronto and Adelaide Streets. The acquisition of these two properties gives the Company ownership of 133 feet frontage on Adelaide Street East and 161 feet frontage on Toronto Street.

The Commercial Department's activities have resulted in an increased volume of sales of approved gas appliances. The increase in the sale of gas for domestic purposes represents, in a very considerable degree, the results of the efforts of this department through its Home Service lectures and demonstrations, which are directed to educate the homeowner in the greater and more efficient use of gas appliances in the home.

The use of gas in the industries continues to develop very rapidly. During the past three years the amount of gas sold for industrial purposes has increased more than 50 per cent.

In accordance with the By-law passed by the Directors on August 13th, 1928, and confirmed by the shareholders at a special general meeting held on September 5th, 1928, application has been made for Supplementary Letters Patent under the Ontario Companies' Act, giving effect to the matters contained in the By-law.

On November 2nd, 1928, the Prime Minister and members of his Cabinet heard the application in the presence of representatives of the City of Toronto, the Township of York, the Township of East York and the Township of Etobicoke, the Trades and Labor Council and others. Decision on the application is now pending.

The following statement for the past year, as compared with the preceding one, shows:

	METERS	GAS SALES
Year ended September 30th, 1928	160,347	\$5,642,557 99
Year ended September 30th, 1927	155,730	\$5,426,099 66
Increase	4,617	\$ 216,458 33
All of which is respectfully submitted.		

A. W. AUSTIN,
President.

The following gentlemen were re-elected Directors for the ensuing year: A. R. Auld, Esq., A. W. Austin, Esq., A. H. Campbell, Esq., L. Goldman, Esq., Dr. F. LeM. Grasset, Col. J. F. Michie, William Mulock, Esq., K.C., F. G. Oiler, Esq., Thomas H. Wood, Esq.

At a meeting of the Board held subsequently, Mr. A. W. Austin and Dr. F. LeM. Grasset were re-elected President and Vice-President respectively.

Fine Paper Mills Amalgamate

Alliance Paper Incorporates Lincoln Pulp and Paper, Ritchie and Ramsay and Georgetown Coated Paper Mills—Should Exert Stabilizing Influence

OFFICIAL announcement of an amalgamation, which has been unofficially known to the paper industry for several weeks now, has just been made. The amalgamating companies are all well known in their respective fields, and the organization that has now come into being, under the style of "Alliance Paper Mills, Ltd.," should be able to exercise a stabilizing and steady influence on those branches of the industry with which it is concerned. The three amalgamating companies are the Lincoln Pulp and Paper Company, Ltd., Ritchie and Ramsay, Ltd., and the Georgetown Coated Paper Mills, Ltd. "Alliance Paper Mills, Ltd.," incorporates the three companies named, for the purpose of manufacturing and dealing in fine papers. The same grades of paper as these three companies formerly made will continue to be manufactured under the new regime. For example among the principal products will be those for which the Lincoln Pulp and Paper Company, Ltd., has long enjoyed a high reputation, such as sulphite bonds, offset papers, book papers, lithos, grease-proof, glassine, waxing papers, onion skin—while the organization will also continue to manufacture, among the many lines not mentioned here, the well-known brands of "Red Seal" and "Luxacoted" and all the other lines formerly made by Ritchie and Ramsay, Ltd., and the Georgetown Coated Paper Mills, Ltd., and for which they are so well-known.

The pooling of the knowledge and experience of the three constituent companies should enhance their usefulness and widen their sphere of operations. Further it should result in a

high standard, alike of production, of technical skill and of efficiency in administration, which last attribute should enable "Alliance Paper Mills, Ltd.," to supply to customers at the lowest prices consistent with the best qualities.

The executives and general personnel of the new organization have held similar positions in the amalgamating companies, and are therefore well-known to the trade. Mr. K. S. MacLachlan, B.A.Sc., who is managing director, was general manager of the Lincoln Pulp and Paper Company for several years. He is a chemical engineer by profession and enjoys a reputation second to none as a judge of product. Mr. Geo. W. Pauline, the assistant managing director, was, for several years, president and managing director of Ritchie and Ramsay, Ltd., and has been engaged in the paper industry all his life. Mr. G. C. Winlow, the sales manager, was sales manager for the Lincoln Pulp and Paper Company, for nine or ten years prior to the present amalgamation—in fact, ever since the last-mentioned company engaged in the manufacture of fine papers instead of wrappings—and previous to that he was with the Canada Paper Company. Mr. L. E. Fleck, director and manager of coating operations for the whole organization, was formerly managing director of the Georgetown Coated Paper Mills, and prior to that was with the Canada Coating Mills.

The head office of the organization is at Merriton, Ont., and the sales office both of the new organization and of its amalgamating companies is located at No. 350 Bay Street, Toronto.

Governments Must Act in Newsprint Crisis

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areas and rendering them most unattractive for large-scale operations.

This steady "nibbling" into Canada's forests has been going on for years and is constantly diminishing all chance of permanency of forest production. Moreover, the indirect result of this "little tract" policy results in a serious increase in the volume of wood exported in unmanufactured state. Wood from farmers' land is exportable, and there is a large amount of it cut annually. If it were not for the fact that the internal pulpwood market was continually flooded by these "little tract" operators who cannot export their wood (fortunately), it would be possible for Canadian paper companies to buy much larger quantities of exportable wood, thus keeping the volume of unmanufactured wood that is shipped to the States down to reasonable proportions. Under present conditions mills naturally buy from "little tract" operators in preference to farmers, the wood being of better quality and offered at prices slightly below the current exportable wood price. They can only buy a limited quantity of wood each year above the price at which they can log their own limits, so that the unwanted farmers' wood is absorbed with great gusto by U. S. mills.

Why do not the paper companies outside these politically inclined gentlemen who want limits, in order to get hold of the "little tracts" as they are put up? The stumpage of spruce does not just "go up". It is definitely set by the selling price of the manufactured article (newsprint) less costs of logging, log transportation, mill conversion, overhead, and a reasonable profit on the business. Paper mill executives have a better sense of values. They know that, with newsprint at \$50 per ton, Government dues at a general price of \$2 per cord are high, probably too high. If more is asked the Government is "killing the goose that lays the golden egg" by forcing the purchaser to practice the cheapest and most destructive logging methods in order to show any profit. This is all our "little tract" bidder intends to do anyway, so he can afford to outbid a paper company which recognizes its obligations in the matter of proper logging methods.

It is true that saw-mills and tie-operators must have limits, but why sell the pulpwood outside of the industry? This is being done in nine cases out of ten, and means that when the small operator does get a limit he proceeds immediately to cut and sell all the pulpwood he can, to the nearest paper mill, reduce his limit to a barren stretch of unproductive land, and get away with the profits, a good part of which should have been put back into the forest, for the purpose of maintaining forest production.

Had the same area been under the

control of a paper mill, the pulpwood on it would have been operated only with a view to permanency of production, and the middleman's profits, which at present go into the pocket of the "little tract" owner, would have largely been spent in further forestry activities.

How can a Forester advise his company to raise the cost of its wood temporarily, by buying farmers' exportable wood? How can he suggest that better, (and more expensive) cutting methods be carried out to replace woods operations which can only be described as timber butchery, when he knows that the mill is producing paper below cost? Again, faced with the daily auctions of "little tracts of timber", and the certainty that his mill has insufficient timber supplies, shall he advise his company to bid a price which, though high enough to over-bid the local drug-store proprietor, for whom the tract is intended, is so ridiculously out of proportion to actual stumpage value, that no one can operate at that price, in any but the cheapest and most destructive manner?


Or would it be better to let the druggist have his "little tract", log it off and drive its equivalent volume of wood out of the country, leaving behind him a dead and desolate waste, while the paper mill, with no certainty of permanent wood supplies, starts in to write off its capital charges, get all it can from its own limits, eventually closing down its plant, leaving hundreds of employees to look for other jobs, and permanently crippling a growing town?

If the writer of this article has, by pointing out a few instances where the present policy is seriously at fault, aroused interest and perhaps introduced a new point of view, his object will be achieved.

Reorganization and changed policy offer the only means of protecting Canada's forests from uneconomic exploitation, but this can only be achieved by sustained interest and perhaps some bitter opposition.

Divorced from politics, the Canadian National Railways have made splendid progress under the able guidance of Sir Henry Thornton, a world leader among railway experts. Since the fire protection activities in Ontario have been taken in hand by experts, trained to their job, wonderful results have been achieved. Is it too much to suppose that equally fine results would accrue to our timber-land, if they were entrusted to the administration of a capable, politically unattached, forest economist?

Financial Editor, "Saturday Night":
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The Miraculous Receivership

Can Bondholders Demand Interest When Receiver Makes the Business Pay—Court Rulings Serve to Clear Situation Familiar to Many Canadians —What Should Be Claimed

By M. L. HAYWARD

"WE are in receipt of your inquiry in reference to Memo 6 per cent. sinking fund first mortgage bonds, and regret to say that interest is not being paid at present, as the company is now in a receiver's hands, and the result is quite problematical as far as the future prospects of the company are concerned."

These words have a familiar ring, and unfortunately too many Canadian investors have read them; a receivership is generally a lost and forlorn hope; but there is the miraculous receiver who makes the business pay operating expenses and bond interest, and then the question is,—can the receiver legally pay bond interest?

"Does not the appointment of a receiver automatically stop the running of interest on the company's bonds?" the ordinary creditors demand.

These brief queries present some important points which are of more than academic interest to bondholders of insolvent or near insolvent corporations, where there is a prospect of the corporation eventually "pulling out", and may be dealt with under the following heads:—

When there is money enough to pay everybody:—When the receiver performs the double miracle of realizing enough to pay all the claims, of every nature and description, secured and unsecured, with interest thereon, then the law and commonsense concur in holding that the interest should be paid.

"If as a result of good fortune or good management, the estate proves sufficient to discharge the claims in full, interest as well as principal should be paid. Even in bankruptcy, and in the face of the argument that the debtor's liability on the debt and its incidents terminated at the date of adjudication, and as a fixed liability was transferred to the fund, it has been held, in the rare instances where the assets ultimately proved sufficient for the purpose, that creditors were entitled to interest accruing after adjudication," says the court in a leading case on this point.

Claims of unequal rank and not enough money to go around:—A more common and perplexing problem arises, however, where there are claims of unequal rank, bonds and unsecured claims, for instance, and the earnings are sufficient to pay the bond interest, but nothing on the unsecured claims.

"The appointment of the receiver stopped the running of interest on the bonds, and you have no claim until there is money enough to pay every-

body," the ordinary creditors contend. "No, our bonds are the first claim, not only on the assets, but on the earnings as well," the bondholders retort.

This point seems to be a new one in Canada, but the United States Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled in favor of the bondholders.

"But where there are claims of different classes, and one is secured by a mortgage of real estate, the holder of such mortgage is entitled not only to the principal, but to the interest that accrues up to the time of satisfaction, even though non-lien creditors may not receive any dividend at all. This must be so if the court enforces contracts as parties made them. It is especially true when the court retains control of the property upon which there is a specific lien and operates that property for a long period of time at great profit for the benefit of non-lien creditors," the court ruled.

"In the distribution of the proceeds of a common security between liens of different priorities, we know of no principle by which interest can be stopped on the amount of the superior lien until its satisfaction. As between the bondholders and the lienholders, the lienholders are entitled to interest to the day of payment," is a quotation from the same court in which the judgment was delivered by the present Chief Justice Taft, than a Circuit judge.

When the claims are of equal dignity:—When the obligations of the company are all of equal rank, there is authority for saying that in such cases interest is not allowed.

"If all claims were of equal dignity and all bore the same rate of interest, from the date of the receivership to the date of final distribution, it would be immaterial whether the dividend was calculated on the basis of the principal alone or of principal and interest combined. But some of the debts might carry a high rate and some a low rate, and hence inequality would result in the payment of interest which accrued during the delay incident to collecting and distributing funds. As this delay was the act of the law, no one should thereby gain an advantage or suffer a loss. For that and like reasons, in case funds are not sufficient to pay claims of equal dignity, the distribution is made only on the basis of the principal of the debt," says the United States Supreme Court.

Rate of interest:—If bonds bear interest at a fixed rate lower than the legal rate, bondholders, naturally, demand interest at the higher rate.

"All you can get is what your bonds call for," the receiver contends.

"NO—when the company went into the hands of a receiver and defaulted on the bond interest that was a breach of contract that entitles us to whatever the law will allow," the bondholders argue.

On the other hand, if the situation is reversed, and the bonds call for interest at a rate higher than the legal rate, then the argument is reversed, the receiver offering the legal rate, and the bondholders demanding the rate specified in their securities.

The only case which seems to touch this point is a decision of the New York courts reported in 79 Northeastern Reporter, 1004, where the evidence showed that a bank was paying interest on deposits at a rate lower than the legal rate, the bank stopped payment, went into the hands of a receiver, and the New York Courts ruled that the depositors were entitled to interest at the higher rate.

"The bank, owing to its inability to pay, became chargeable with a breach of its contracts, thus terminating its right under the existing contracts, and investing its depositors with all the rights given by law to persons whose contracts have been broken. To continue the interest at the contract rate would be manifestly unjust to the creditors, for the rates allowed under the contracts varied, as we have seen, from 2 to 4 per cent., and it would therefore, favor one class at the expense of the other. We think, therefore, that when the contracts with creditors were broken by the bank becoming insolvent and the appointment of a receiver, so that it was unable to perform its agreements, the legal rate of interest became the rate to which all the creditors were thereafter entitled," said the courts.

When the creditor fails to claim interest:—An interesting point arises where a bondholder or creditor of an insolvent company hands in his claim, but does not claim interest thereon, then ascertains that interest will probably be paid, and forthwith demands it.

"If there's any interest going I'm entitled to it, the same as the other fellows," is the creditor's argument. "No, when you put in your claim without demanding interest you led me to believe that you were not claiming it, and I acted on that assumption," the receiver retorts.

There is not much law on this point, but what there is seems to be in the receiver's favor, so that creditors, in filing claims, will make no mistake in claiming interest, and everything else "in sight."

Walker Split-Up Postponed

Cannot Come Before Board Until End of Fiscal Year—Stock Placed on Permanent \$3 Basis—W. J. Hume Succeeds H. C. Hatch as President

THERE will be no split in the stock of Hiram Walker-Gooderham and Worts, Ltd.—at least not for the present. But that it is coming eventually may be gleaned from the remarks made by H. C. Hatch, who retired as president of the concern to take the place of chairman of the board of directors, at the annual meeting of the shareholders in Walkerville.

Mr. Hatch, who is to be succeeded as president by W. J. Hume, gave as the reason for no stock split the fact that it could not come before the board of directors in the ordinary course until the end of the fiscal year.

"It is not possible at this time to make any pronouncement as to what action the directors may take then," he said.

Action that will be agreeable to the shareholders is the placing of the dividend on the basis of \$3 a year per share. This was the rate paid for the last quarter and a resolution was adopted making it permanent.

Mr. Hatch was very optimistic in his report to the shareholders. "Although only a little more than two months of the fiscal year have elapsed," he said, "it can be stated that the earnings are entirely up to expectations and show a substantial increase over the same period last year."

The meeting, though a record one as to the number of shares represented—fully 400,000 out of the 600,000 outstanding being represented in person or by proxy—was very brief.

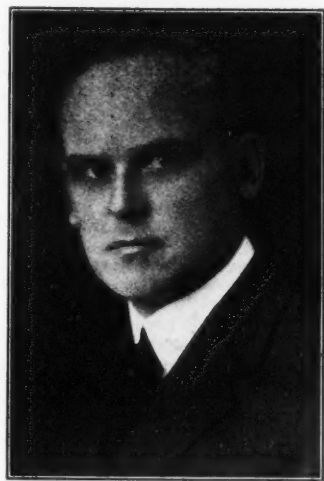
Following the meeting, at which W. S. Ranier, a director and vice-president of Gooderham and Worts, Ltd., was added to the board, Mr. Hatch was made chairman of the board and Mr. Hume president of the company. He is also to act in the

capacity of general manager. F. Wellington Hay was elected vice-president to succeed Mr. Hume. Other members of the board elected to office for another year were: F. K. Morrow, E. D. Gooderham, W. H. Mara, H. F. Marriott, J. F. Lash and Duncan Macleod.

The earnings of the control company for the year ended August 31, 1928, amounted to \$2,514,204.40. This figure, however, simply represents dividends received by the holding company from surplus funds of the two operating companies. The actual earnings of Hiram Walker-Gooderham and Worts, Limited, consolidated with Hiram Walker and Sons, Limited, and Gooderham and Worts, Limited, before providing for Federal income tax, amounted to \$3,442,378.23.

In the report sent out to shareholders on October 9th, 1928, it was pointed out that application would be made for the listing of the company's shares on the New York Curb. This action has now been taken. It has also been listed on the Detroit Stock Exchange, and has been transferred from the Toronto Curb Market to the listed section of the Toronto Stock Exchange. These steps were taken with a view to allowing as wide a distribution of the stock as possible, it being considered that such a condition should tend to promote goodwill for the company.

"The recent reports of the directors stated that stocks of spirits on hand were approximately ten million proof gallons," stated Mr. Hatch. "In order to maintain the stocks on hand in their proper relation to sales it is the intention of the directors to add further to the present holdings, and by the end of the current fiscal year it is expected that the spirit inventory will reach the total of eleven



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Consulting Engineer and President of C. D. Howe & Co., of Port Arthur, who designed the new seven million bushel pool terminal elevator located in that city. This elevator, recently completed under his supervision, is the largest in the world. Mr. Howe was formerly Professor of Civil Engineering, Dalhousie University, and later Chief Engineer of the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada and has designed and constructed many of the most important elevator units in the country. —Photo by "Who's Who in Canada"

and one-half to twelve million gallons.

"There remains little to add to the information already conveyed to you by means of the report. It might be mentioned, however, that installation of the new equipment for the distillation of alcohol will be completed in Toronto in about a month's time. This will place the company in a position of being capable of manufacturing a higher grade of alcohol than can be done with any other apparatus now in Canada. It has been installed primarily for the manufacture of industrial alcohol, and energetic steps are being taken to obtain further business in this line. Although prices are such that there is very little margin of profit at present, it is believed that conditions will adjust themselves in due course and that the industrial alcohol business will eventually prove to be a

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ANNUAL REPORT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

For the Year ending August 31st, 1928.

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS:

It is with pleasure I submit on behalf of your Directors, Balance Sheet of your Company showing Assets and Liabilities at the close of its fiscal year, August 31st, 1928.

Your Auditors, Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Company, have made the usual examination of the books and accounts of the Company, and their certificate and report is submitted herewith.

Repairs to, and Maintenance of Properties have been charged to Operating Expenses as has been customary, and the sum of \$140,638.37 has been written off to Reserve for Depreciation. The total Reserve for Depreciation and Renewals of Plant now stands at \$1,869,299.62 as shown on the Balance Sheet.

The earnings for the year ending August 31st, 1928, were \$1,000,197.22, and have been dealt with as follows:—

Reserve for Depreciation and Renewals of Plant.....	\$ 140,638.37
Dividends on Preferred Stock.....	240,625.00
Dividends on Common Stock.....	240,000.00
Pensions Paid and Long Service Awards.....	14,786.90
Provision on account of Income Tax.....	71,900.00
Balance to Surplus Account.....	928,246.95
	\$1,000,197.22

During the year your Company acquired a controlling interest in The Winnipeg Paint and Glass Company, Limited, a Company of high repute doing business in Western Canada. The result of the operations of this Company since becoming connected with your Organization may be considered satisfactory, and your relations with it will materially and most advantageously extend your distributing facilities in Western Canada.

The well established business of your Company in Paints, Varnishes, Enamels, White Lead, Dry Colors, Linseed Oil, etc., continues to show a healthy growth. The making and marketing of Lacquer for manufacturing, automobile and household use continue to grow in importance, and your Company occupies a prominent position in this branch of the industry in Canada.

All inventories of raw and manufactured goods have been taken with the utmost care, and have been priced on the basis of cost or market, whichever proved to be the lower.

Your Directors wish to take this opportunity of referring again to the spirit of loyalty and co-operation which exists among the employees of the Company throughout all its branches, and feel that this condition has contributed in no small degree to the results for the year.

Our Advertising and Merchandising plans continue to preserve and extend the demand for our products throughout Canada, and in view of the sound and increasing prosperity of the Dominion and its people, your Directors feel that the welfare and advancement of the Company are full of promise for the future.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board,

MONTREAL, November 8th, 1928.

W. S. FALLIS,
President.

THE SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY OF CANADA, LIMITED AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET - AUGUST 31st, 1928

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Property Account		Capital Stock	
Lands and Buildings, Leaseholds, Machinery & Equipment, Formulae, Trade Marks and Goodwill.....	\$ 8,972,305.09	Seven Per Cent. Cumulative Preferred Authorized—40,000 Shares of \$100.00 each.....	\$ 4,000,000.00
Investments in Capital Stocks of Other Companies.....	510,645.35	Issued — 34,400 Shares of \$100.00 each.....	3,440,000.00
Current Assets		Common Authorized and Issued — 40,000 Shares of \$100 each	4,000,000.00
Inventories.....	\$ 2,163,095.05		\$ 7,440,000.00
Accounts and Bills Receivable, less Reserve.....	1,825,406.34	Trade Accounts Payable and Other Liabilities.....	1,050,725.00
Cash and Marketable Securities.....	1,848,486.47	Balance Payable to the Carter White Lead Company of Canada, Limited, on Current Account.....	672,685.85
Insurance and Taxes Prepaid, Etc.....	45,838.75	Reserves	
	5,836,987.86	For Depreciation and Renewals of Plant.....	1,869,299.62
		For Pension Fund.....	20,000.00
		Surplus as Per Statement Attached.....	4,313,066.58
	\$15,365,777.05		\$15,365,777.05

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

WE have examined the Books and Accounts of the Sherwin-Williams Company of Canada, Limited and its Subsidiary Companies for the year ending August 31st, 1928, and have obtained all the information and explanations which we have required; and we certify that, in our opinion, the above Balance Sheet at August 31st, 1928, is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the combined affairs of the Sherwin-Williams Company of Canada, Limited, and its Subsidiary Companies, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the Books of the Companies.

PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.,
Auditors.
Montreal, November 2nd, 1928.
Approved on behalf of the Board,
WM. SHEPHERD FALLIS
WILLIAM C. COTTINGHAM Directors

Consolidated Statement of Surplus and Profits, August 31st, 1928

Earnings for the year ending August 31st, 1928, before making provision for Depreciation and Income Tax, and before charging Expenditures shown below	\$ 1,000,197.22
Deduct: Pensions Paid to Retired Employees and Long Service Awards.....	14,786.90
Deduct: Depreciation.....	140,638.37
Deduct: Provision on Account of Income Tax.....	71,900.00
	227,325.27
Surplus at August 31st, 1927.....	\$ 4,793,691.58
Deduct: Dividends paid during the year—Preferred....	240,625.00
—Common.....	240,000.00
	480,625.00
Surplus as at August 31, 1928.....	\$ 4,313,066.58

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"the fact that the enterprise is already successful and growing is sufficient guarantee to any far-seeing investor to put his money to work in it" will not mean much to any hard-headed investor who wants facts before parting with his money. It would be interesting to see a detailed balance sheet of the company and get some idea as to the position it is in at the present time. The statement that "the first unit has earned sufficient money during its initial year of operations to enable the company to declare a dividend out of its profits" may be true, but even if so it certainly does not prove that the enterprise as a whole is going to prove profitable as far as the shareholders are concerned.

The action of the Cosmopolitan Fiscal Corporation in sending you an "allotment certificate" entitling you to subscribe on or before November 30th, 1928, for 25 shares of Cosmopolitan Variety Stores Limited at \$8.75 per share does not, of course, mean anything at all. Doubtless every one else on the company's mailing list has been accorded the same privilege. The covering letter talks about this being a "pre-listing" price. On what exchange is it proposed to list the shares?

The letter goes on to say that "it appears certain that a dividend will be declared at the next directors' meeting." Declaration of a dividend will, of course, help to pull in subscriptions for shares, but the question is, will the company be able to maintain such dividend payments once it has started them? There is certainly nothing in the Cosmopolitan Fiscal Corporation's literature that gives one any feeling of assurance that it will be able to do so. The information is so scanty that not even the capitalization of the company is given. You are asked to buy shares without knowing what kind of an interest in the company's business those shares represent. In other words, you are asked to buy a "pig in a poke", and that is never good business. My advice is to throw all this literature, including the beautifully engraved allotment certificate, into your waste paper basket.

QUARTZ LAKE AND TODD LARKIN

Editor, Gold and Dross:
Please give me some information on Quartz Lake Mine shares, which were sold by Todd Larkin, Montreal. The diamond drilling reports published were exceptional, but it is now said that they were salted. I would like some information as to the reliability of Todd Larkin.

—A. H. E., Toronto, Ont.

Two reliable engineers reported that, in their belief, the diamond drill cores drawn from the Quartz Lake property were salted and that a very sloppy job was done by the culprit. Small particles of gold were found in the sludge or mud which came from the drill holes. It was these which, when assayed, gave extremely high gold values. However, these engineers pointed out that the particles of gold were too large and too sharp to have escaped the fine grinding action of the diamonds in the drill bits, and that they must have been inserted after the drilling.

Officials of the company have not denied that the cores were salted, but have denied personal knowledge. Salting is a criminal offence, particularly in a case where the public's money is involved. The authorities have not discovered the person responsible.

As regards Todd Larkin, the Ontario Attorney General, some months ago, refused to allow Todd Larkin to advertise in the province.

NEWSPRINT STOCKS—SELL OR HOLD?

Editor, Gold and Dross:
I am holding ten shares of Canada Power and Paper common bought at 54 and ten shares of St. Lawrence Paper common bought at 32. What would you advise me to do about them—sell at present prices and take the loss or hope for better conditions in the industry within the next year or two and hang on?

E.S.H., St. Andrews, N.B.

Undoubtedly a period of very severe competition is developing in the newsprint industry which will very likely carry prices of stocks still lower, notwithstanding that quotations seem already just about as low as there is any real reason for them to be. It is possible, therefore, that you could sell now and buy in again, if you wished to do so, at lower prices later on.

However, I do not think you will make any great mistake if you hold on and await the improvement in quotations that is bound to come as soon as the industry generally appears to be getting back on to stronger ground. You will have a fairly long wait, but the industry is fundamentally sound and stock prices are bound to come back eventually.

DISTILLERS CORPORATION—SEAGRAM

Editor, Gold and Dross:
Please give me a brief opinion on Distillers Corporation—Seagram as a hold for a year or two.

—P. C. G., Moncton, N.B.

At current quotations Distillers Corporation—Seagram should prove a good purchase for a hold. Although no financial statement is to be issued for another twelve months, there is good reason to believe that current earnings are running at a very satisfactory figure and that the business done by the company is steadily expanding, both as regards domestic and foreign trade. The company has accumulated very large reserves of spirits and is in a good position financially.

THE JACKSON-MANION SITUATION

Editor, Gold and Dross:
I have two hundred shares of Jackson Manion for which I paid 83½ cents per share. Having regard to the present situation of the stock, what would you advise?

—L. G. R., Toronto, Ont.

In October the managing director of Jackson-Manion Mines issued an official statement in which he spoke of a \$12 average grade on the 250 foot level. Subsequent unofficial word indicated some doubts as to this being correct. Another official statement issued early in November admitted that the ore on this level was not so good as was first reported. Independent reports made by reliable people state that this level contains nothing which could be called an ore shoot.

Another official statement, made by the managing director a few weeks ago, gave a list of high assays from this level and stated that they were "represent-



W. S. FALLIS

President and Managing Director of the Sherwin-Williams Company of Canada, Limited, who was re-elected at the recent annual meeting. The company's report as presented, shows an excellent earnings increase and a highly satisfactory general position.

ative", but it has since turned out that these high assays were the exception and not the rule.

The situation brought about by these contradictory statements caused a severe depreciation in the stock and it has also caused the authorities to look into the official statements made for the company. Many people have complained that the official word was misleading.

There is a fair sized ore shoot on the 125 foot level, but it is doubtful that this alone would make a mine. Diamond drilling to a depth of about 400 feet brought no ore results. Further work is underway in an endeavor to locate ore. The property has lost a great deal of its substance and appeal, and unless really good and reliable results are had in the near future the stock is not likely to appreciate.

GENERAL STEEL WARES LTD.

Editor, Gold and Dross:
I own two of the 6 per cent. first mortgage bonds of General Steel Wares Limited, and am thinking of buying more. Do you consider them good?

L.C.P., London, Ont.

While it is never advisable to put all one's eggs in the basket, these bonds look sufficiently good to warrant an additional purchase. The consolidation of the concerns which entered into the amalgamation represented by this company has now been fully effected, and the expected benefits and savings on operation are now apparently being realized.

The company is reported to be doing a very satisfactory business and current earnings are reported to be running around \$4 per share on the common stock. This means, of course, that there is a very considerable margin of safety as regards interest and sinking fund requirements on the first mortgage bonds. The general outlook for the company is satisfactory.

TOUGH-OAKES AND NEWBEC

Editor, Gold and Dross:
Would you kindly advise me what to do in regards to Tough-Oakes-Burnside mining stock. Is there any truth in the rumor that they are closing down? Do you consider Newbec a good buy now?

—J. G., Cornwall, Ont.

Tough-Oakes-Burnside Mine has been closed down. Ore results did not justify continuing the operation at this time. Some money was saved to keep the property in condition and the company alive. No definite official word has been made available about the situation. There are few in Canada able to talk about the proposition with any degree of knowledge, control being in London. It is hardly likely that anything will be done before next spring to find more money and to resume operations.

If you believe that Newbec will locate ore in the work now in progress you will consider it a good buy. But your guess is as good as mine or anybody else's. Unless they find some more ore the stock is not likely to go up.

ROBY'S PRODUCTS LIMITED

Editor, Gold and Dross:
Do you know anything of a company called Roby's Products Limited, and how it is getting along? I am recommended to buy stock in it.

—M. S. R., Winnipeg, Man.

Roby's Products Limited is a company which was formed to take over the International Graphite Corporation Limited of Montreal, which latter appeared to have a fairly good product but poor management. While I have no recent earnings figures, Roby's Products Limited appears to have made fair progress since it commenced.

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ed operations and to have a fair chance, from the speculative point of view, of achieving success. However, a balance sheet which I saw some time ago indicated that the company's financial condition was none too strong. In my opinion this is a distinctly speculative proposition, but one possibly possessing some degree of attractiveness for anyone willing to take a chance.

A STRONG PUBLIC UTILITY

Editor, Gold and Dross:
I wish you would tell me something about the common stock of Consolidated Gas of New York, what dividend it pays and whether it would be a good investment for about \$500.

—R. A. G., Peterborough, Ont.
This stock has good investment value. The annual dividend rate is now \$3 per share and thus on the basis of current market quotations around 78½, the investment yields fractionally over 4 per cent. annually. While I do not see any reason to expect any marked appreciation in price in the near future, current quotations appearing to be high enough relative to current earnings, the company has remarkably good long-term prospects inasmuch as it is one of the largest operating utilities in the world and serves a territory which still has enormous possibilities for future development. The company has been paying dividends on its common stock without interruption for more than forty years.

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C. T., East Farnham, Ont. While it is quite likely that the HOTEL TORONTO LIMITED will be successful, I do not think there is sufficient assurance of it at this stage to make the 7% preferred stock a suitable investment for you if security is a first consideration. This is a new venture, and like those of all new ventures, its shares must be considered to possess an element of speculation until the company has given evidence over a period of time that it is going to be successful. At the present time I do not think that the security in tangible assets behind these shares is as strong as is desirable.

S. B., Burridge, Ont. The fact that a railway is being built by the Canadian National Railways for the Dominion Government to the SHERRITT GORDON property would indicate in itself that it is a mine of substance. Its officials are hopeful that in time it will develop as much tonnage as the more highly priced Flin Flon, and are confident that they will have far larger profits per ton. Recent diamond drilling continues to improve the copper content of the ore, and as this fact becomes more widely and specifically known public feeling should respond. Sherritt Gordon is considered among the best of the new northern mining enterprises.

W. J. W., Sperling, Man. INTERNATIONAL MINERALS may be the company you have reference to when mentioning International Mining Company. If so, the enterprise is pretty much in the prospect stage. Claims are held at Sapaw Lake, west of Fort William, Ontario, and others in Red Lake. Part of the plan is to speculate with 50 per cent. of the funds subscribed by the purchase of shares in producing mines. The shares represent a risky venture. The company is new and is capitalized at 10,000,000 shares, 15 cents each.

M. D., Belmont, Ont. DURANT MOTORS OF CANADA common holds possibilities. The company has made a strong comeback in the last couple of years or so, and its last annual report was an encouraging document. Furthermore, current earnings are understood to be running substantially above those of 1927.

C. A. J., Newcastle, N.B. DOMAIN MINES AND INVESTMENT COMPANY holds claims in the Red Lake gold area, district of Patricia, Ontario. A wide vein has been under exploration in which the composition is largely quartz and sulphides. Exploration to a reasonable extent appears to be warranted in an effort to learn whether the deposit carries payable ore shoots or not. The shares are highly speculative.

D. F. R., Peterborough, Ont. ALEXANDRIA GOLD MINES, LTD., represents a serious effort to find and develop a mine. The company holds claims in various parts of Canada, including the Ben Nevis and Sudbury districts of Ontario, and in British Columbia. Properties held are in the prospect stage. The company is capitalized at 5,000,000 shares. ABANA has considerable ore, but with some question still remaining as to continuity and also some uncertainty as to what bearing the transportation and power questions may have on the outcome. The property has attractive possibilities, but the shares are still in the highly speculative class. CAPITAL ROYAL recently arranged for sinking to 550 feet in Rouyn. Since then a surface discovery of gold has been made which appears to hold out good promise. The company also holds big acreage in the Lake Geneva area of Ontario, on which encouraging results are being obtained. BIG MISSOURI MINE of British Columbia is in the highly speculative class with a lot of work required before arriving at definite conclusions.

J. A. M., Edmonton, Alta. THE GRALAN OIL COMPANY is operating at the present time in a small way near Bakersfield, California, but with the present low price of oil in that field their profits, if any, are not likely to be large. While the shares of this company appear to have some value, so far as I can determine, there is no market for the stock at the present time.



ARTHUR F. WHITE
Former President of the Standard Bank of Canada, who has been elected a Vice-President of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, following the recent merger of the two institutions.
—Photo by "Who's Who in Canada"



S. H. LOGAN
General Manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, who has been elected a director of that institution, following the taking over of the Standard Bank of Canada. Mr. Logan is a Vice President of the Canadian Bankers' Association.
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I. R., Westmount, Que. PETERSON LAKE was taken over by PETERSON COBALT on a basis of one of the new for three of the old. The Peterson Cobalt was incorporated in 1926 with 3,000,000 share capitalization—divided 2,900,000 common and 100,000 preferred. Transfer of preferred shares on a basis of 1½ of Peterson Cobalt for 1 of Peterson Lake. Head Office is at 301 Royal Bank Bldg., Toronto. The transfer agents are Trusts and Guarantee Company, Toronto.

L. J., Westmeath, Ont. Shares of the KENNEDY SPRING WHEEL MANUFACTURING COMPANY are very far from being "a safe sound investment." The company has been selling stock for many years past but so far has not produced any results of benefit to shareholders. I believe the company has a small plant in West Toronto on Daisy Avenue, but little work appears to be done there. The name of the company does not appear in the Toronto telephone directory.

W. B., Cornwall, Ont. There are a number of showings of lead in the Sudbury-Sault Ste. Marie district, but so far all effort has failed to establish profitable operations. It is easy to obtain very high lead assays, but the difficulty has been to secure important tonnage. I regard the SUDBURY CRATER MINING COMPANY as a risky venture, and a prospect of uncertain value.

D. J., Seely's Bay, Ont. When you say "Canadian Government and Municipal Dollar for Dollar Gold Bonds, I presume you mean the bonds of the Municipal Bankers' Corporation. The proportion of Canadian Government and Municipal Bonds standing behind these is very small and by far the largest part of the security is in first and second mortgages, of which the latter form a big item. Municipal Bankers' Bonds are speculative and of low marketability and I do not consider them a good purchase. An exchange of Victory Bonds for them would naturally involve a very considerable decrease in security and saleability.

J. W., Lauriston, Dundas, Ont. There are interesting possibilities associated with SUDBURY BASIN MINES. The Vermilion Lake claims held by that company have important deposits of zinc and copper and this lends merit to the enterprise. The company also holds around 200,000 shares of Sherritt-Gordon and also has an opportunity to participate under preferred arrangements in the Falconbridge Nickel Mines. There is an element of risk involved, but the venture is not unattractive.

M. G., Quebec, Que. Progress has been slow and results erratic on the MABELLE MINES. There appears to be more uncertainty about that district at present than was the case a year ago. The outlook for Mabelle Mines is not very bright.

A. R., Weston, Ont. Work is being carried forward systematically at the HARKER GOLD MINES. A moderate amount of low grade ore has been placed in sight. The present work is aiming at exploration of a section of the property believed to have better possibilities than the section originally worked. There are interesting prospects, but no assurance of success. The effort, however, is earnest and the work is being efficiently directed.

K. S., Toronto, Ont. HUGHES-PATRICIA SYNDICATE holds claims which are only in the prospect stage. The syndicate is capitalized at 3,000 units of \$40 each. There is nothing on the prospectus to show limited liability. Without limited liability the individual shareholder might find himself saddled with debts of the syndicate. The property in question appears to represent a risky venture and at best these ventures should be taken only by those who can afford to lose.

F. G. P., Oakwood, Ont. DENISON COPPER MINES holds claims in the Sudbury area in Denison township. The shares represent a risky and uncertain venture.

T. C. B., Toronto, Ont. ST. ANTHONY GOLD MINES continues in an uncertain stage. There is a moderate amount of ore. Mineralization is more or less erratic. Underground work has been carried to 525 feet in depth. A diamond drill is being transported at present to the property for the purpose of exploring below depths to which development has been carried. The shares are highly speculative.

R. W. S. L., Thorndale, Ont. LAROSE has small remaining possibilities on old properties at Cobalt as well as on newer holdings in the Rouyn district. This, while not very bright for the company, is at least sufficient to maintain a slight flicker of hope. PETERSON LAKE was succeeded by PETERSON COBALT on a basis of exchange of three of the old for one of the new. Peterson Cobalt is quoted around 25 cents. The TEMISKAMING MINING COMPANY has been inactive for a number of years. The company was engineered into a deal for coal lands in Alberta which resulted in serious financial loss. The shares have a little value, although very small.

D. F. K., Cleveland, Ohio. ABITIBI MINES holds property in the prospect stage, but has performed very little work during recent years. The work being done on Harker Gold Mines in that area may attract interest to the field, but in the meantime the outlook is pretty uncertain. There appears to be no present market for Abitibi Mines stock.

S. L. T., Toronto, Ont. WOOD-CROESUS GOLD MINES is in the prospect stage. There may be serious question as to whether success will be achieved. The letter accompanying the prospectus expressing opinion that the company is satisfied the program of work may disclose ore "in quantity as produced by the Croesus." The work of the past in that area has shown gold to occur largely in patches. The Croesus itself had some rich ore, but only in the form of patches or limited shoot. It appears to be doubtful whether the gold taken out paid for the money spent on the property. After the early discoveries, the Croesus proved to be a disappointment and the property closed down. In buying shares at 50 cents each in the 2,000,000 share Wood-Croesus company, the element of risk would appear to be big.

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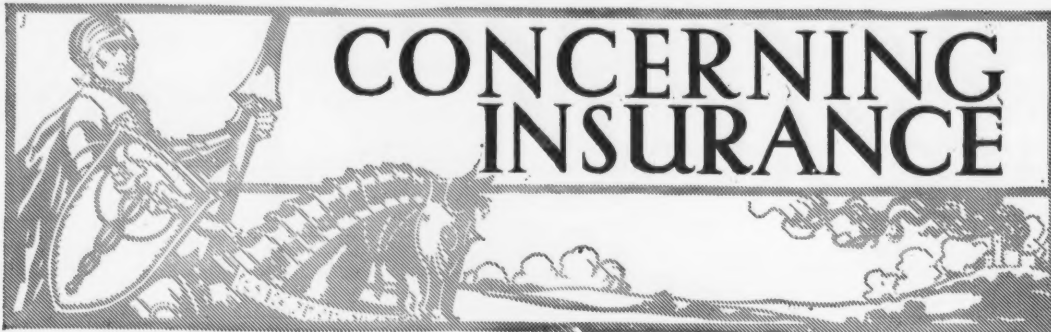
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Marine Underwriters Considering Fort Churchill as Grain and Ore Port

BRITISH marine underwriters are showing interest in the proposed development of Fort Churchill as a Hudson Bay grain and ore port as a result of the extension of the Hudson Bay Railway.

It is expected that marine underwriters will then have to amend the North American Agreement in order to provide for what will be practically a new trade, as the Institute Warranties which fix the northerly limit on the Atlantic coast at 43.40 N. lat., definitely exclude Hudson Bay and Strait, and the present scale of additional premiums does not apply to voyages in these waters. The new route is said to bring the grain belt 1,000 miles nearer Great Britain, and it is estimated that as much as ten days will be saved in transport from the western provinces to England; but these advantages might possibly be outweighed if it were found that the cost of insurance increased the cost of transportation by more in proportion than the saving effected by the shorter voyage. On the other hand, there is a set-off so far as cargo is concerned, in that grain from Fort Churchill can be loaded direct into the steamer and transhipment avoided.

Tomorrow is Yesterday for Insurance Men Who Don't Advertise

ONE of the bright remarks of the new 28-year old president of the Insurance Advertising Conference, C. E. Rickerd, who is in charge of the advertising department of the Standard Accident Insurance Co. of Detroit, was the following: "Tomorrow is yesterday for those modern agents who plug along without the winged speed and effectiveness of advertising, letting the tomorrows slip past into yesterdays—letting good business go to waste for the lack of contact and education."

Under his direction, the Standard Accident is conducting a campaign during the next twelve months to tell insurance agents everywhere the importance of advertising in the modern insurance agency, and about the distinctive part that their advertising department can play in the development of our local agent's business.

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advertisers after making a survey of local conditions and to chart and record results—with these, it is claimed, the company can give the services of a large advertising agency to Standard agents at practically no cost to them.



FRANK W. GAMBLE
Who recently arrived in Toronto to take up his position as Accident Manager of the Toronto Casualty, Fire and Marine Insurance Co., and its allied companies, Mr. Gamble comes from England, and for nearly twenty years has been identified with the North British & Mercantile Insurance Co. as a supervisor in the Foreign Casualty Department, including the casualty branches of the Railway Passengers Assurance Co. and other allied offices. He has had a wide experience in the casualty business, and as Accident Manager of the Toronto Casualty group, with its large and growing casualty income, will find ample scope for the exercise of his underwriting ability.

Irish Free State Proposals for Compulsory Auto Insurance

AN Inter-Departmental Committee of the Irish Free State set up to enquire into the problem of the control and regulation of road traffic has recommended:—

1. Declarations of fitness from all drivers.
2. Compulsory insurance against third-party risks, including (in the case of motor buses, etc.) injury to passengers.
3. Raising of the age limit in certain cases.
4. No maximum speed for light motors.
5. A rear white light to illuminate the index number as well as a tail light.
6. Heavier penalties for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Jos. C. White Joins A. E. Wilson & Co.

MR. JOS. C. WHITE has joined the well-known Toronto insurance brokerage firm of A. E. Wilson & Company, Limited, as Manager of the Fire Department. Mr. White is a thoroughly experienced fire insurance man, having for the past eighteen years been in the service of the Canadian Fire Underwriters Association.



CLIFTON W. SHERMAN
President of Dominion Foundries & Steel, Limited, of Hamilton, who operate a mill representing an investment in excess of two million dollars. This plant, which was completed in the closing months of the war, was never operated until recently, but enhanced demand in Canada and higher prices in the United States on the Pittsburgh base price, led the management to re-vamp the mill, with the expectation of full-time operation.

—Photo by "Who's Who in Canada"

How the Life Insurance Buyer Sizes Up the Agent

A SUBSTANTIAL business man, who carries a large amount of life insurance and who has been solicited at least once a week during the past year, was recently asked for his opinion as to what kind of agent and what kind of selling talk got the best results with him. He is quoted as replying, in part, as follows:

"I want an insurance salesman to tell me promptly what he thinks will interest me and why he thinks so."

"Naturally, he ought to know something about me before he gets in; otherwise, he's going to ask me personal questions, and I can't, for the life of me, see any reason why I should be telling a total stranger how many children I have, how much my income is, or whether I still love my wife."

"If he says his name is Smith, that he represents the Family Protection Life Insurance Company, that he intends to talk life insurance to me for five minutes, I know the worst at once, and I am resigned to it. One of these trick operators usually makes me sore, unless his ingenuity will arouse my admiration, or unless he is so good-natured that I can't get mad at him."

"To get along with me, he must work fast until he gets my interest."

"I may be a little hard, but I confess I am somewhat tired of the undertaker salesmen who try to make me feel that if I don't take another \$10,000 to protect my family, I am pretty low down in the scale of humanity. I think this is where a lot of insurance men fall down; they stir up resentment against the whole subject of 'passing on,' and, therefore, against themselves. 'I believe the average man is a pretty good scout and means to do well toward his family, and is carrying about all the insurance he can stagger under; nothing would please him better than to take more, but with the rent and summer vacation coming on and tires wearing out on his car, he feels that he can't swing it, so all that most insurance men do is spoil his day for him."

"I've perhaps heard so much about insurance that I insist that the man who comes to see me should know what he's talking about, and nothing comes nearer boring me to tears than the fellow who wants to explain the intricacies of his policy. What I want to know is what it will do for me, and not how the company does it."

"One insurance man made quite a hit with me not long ago by telling me something I never knew very definitely before. He told me how I could leave my insurance in trust, and talked a lot of good hard sense about planning for an income for my wife and an education for my children. He made me think, and he made a sale."

INSURANCE INQUIRIES

Editor, Concerning Insurance:
What do you think of the National Protective Association of Kansas City and its insurance proposition of \$100 a month protection at a cost of one cent a day?

—M. B., Toronto, Ont.

While benefits of \$100 a month at a cost of one cent a day certainly look attractive, the fact remains that the National Protective Insurance Association of Kansas City, Mo., is not licensed to do business in Canada and accordingly has no government deposit here for the protection of Canadian policyholders, so that you would be practically at its mercy when it came to enforcing payment of any claim you might have against it. You would have to sue in Missouri in case of a disputed claim, and would have to show your right to sue in that jurisdiction and in all probability would also have to put up security for the costs of the action.

Accordingly I advise passing up this proposition and buying what insurance is required from licensed companies, in that case payment of any valid claim can be readily enforced through the local courts if necessary. Even if this concern were licensed here there would be objection to buying this policy, as the cover is very restricted under it and as the contract is really an assessment policy. Condition 7 of the General Conditions reads: "Should the premium provided for herein for

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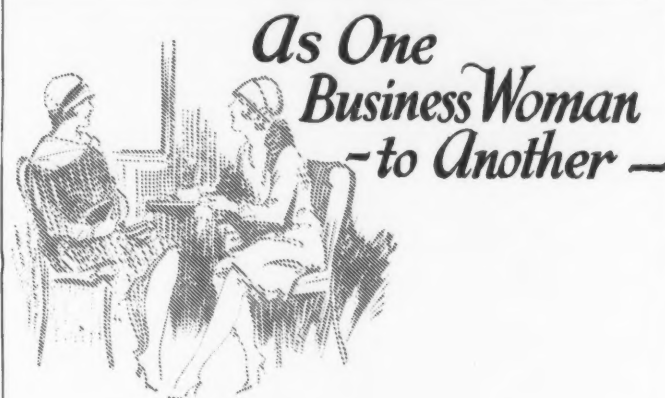
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the first year or any renewal term be insufficient to meet the requirements of this policy, the company may call for the difference as required." Buying assessment insurance is like buying a pig in a poke—you do not know what you are getting for your money. What looks cheap may prove to be very expensive in the long run. It is advisable to steer clear of all these assessment insurance schemes and buy only standard legal reserve insurance from regularly licensed companies.

Editor, Concerning Insurance:

Will you be good enough to supply us with information on the Capital Life Insurance Company. What is its financial position according to the latest balance sheet?

—P. M. Sherbrooke, Que.

The Capital Life Assurance Co. of Canada was incorporated in 1911 by Dominion Act, 1-2 George V, cap. 62, and commenced business January 11, 1912. The authorized capital is \$1,000,000. At the end of 1927 the paid up capital was \$135,835, and the total assets were \$2,178,943, while the total liabilities except capital amounted to \$1,948,643, showing a surplus as regards policyholders of \$230,300. The net surplus over paid up capital and all liabilities was \$94,465. The total income in 1927, excluding \$2,000 received on account of capital stock, was \$540,173, while the total disbursements were \$395,513, showing an excess of income over disbursements of \$144,660. The net amount of insurance at the end of the year was \$13,432,803 under 8,223 policies.

The company is in a sound business and financial position and is safe to insure with.

Editor, Concerning Insurance:

I contemplate taking out a \$5,000, 20-year endowment, double indemnity, permanent disability, policy with the Ontario Equitable.

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—F. S., Anyox, B. C.
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Editor, Concerning Insurance:

Cannot a man buy more life insurance protection for his family for the money under a term policy than under a 20-pay life or whole life policy? If so, why do you not recommend it for the family man?

—M. L., Windsor, Ont.

The reason I advise against taking term life insurance is because it furnishes only temporary protection and not permanent life insurance protection, which is what is needed in nine

cases out of ten by the family man. But taking term insurance you are building up no asset for yourself in the way of loan values or cash values, as the entire premium represents payment for the temporary protection afforded and nothing is payable to the insured in case of survival at the expiration of the term—no paid-up or extended insurance feature to it—nothing is coming to you at all.

On the other hand if you take out a 20-pay life policy or a whole life policy, you not only have the insurance protection for the whole of life, but you are building up a valuable asset in the policy in the form of a cash value, which may either be withdrawn or made the basis of a loan in time of illness, financial stringency or business opportunity. This cash value also enables the insured to keep his policy alive for the full amount under the extended insurance feature when payment of the premium is not possible at the time. A consideration of the difference between a term policy and any of the regular life plans will bring home the advantages of the latter.

Editor, Concerning Insurance:

Recently my attention was called to a Health and Accident Policy sold by "The Ministers' Casualty Union of Minneapolis." As the policyholder apparently did not fully understand the provisions of his policy, I agreed to ask your advice as to the merits of the company and their policy.

Is the company licensed to do business in Canada and is it an assessment organization?

—W. H., London, Ont.

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"Notwithstanding the marked industrial gain registered in the United States in 1928, as compared with 1927, the increase has been relatively far greater in Canada. The latest monthly index of manufacturing activity in Canada, compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, reached a level fully 20 per cent. higher than a year ago, whereas the Standard Statistics Company's index for the United States, although also at the highest level on record, showed only a 4 per cent. gain.

"Increased purchasing power resulting from the extraordinary crop yields of both 1927 and 1928, large-scale new enterprises, and the country's mining developments have been responsible for this rapid increase in Canada. Viewed from any standpoint, there is sound basis for anticipating further trade growth in 1929."

The centre article is decidedly worth reading and we shall be pleased to send one to enquirers.

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The World Tin Outlook

Price Fluctuations in Widely-Used and Vital Commodity
Likely to Continue—Movement Toward Amalgamations May be Stabilizing Factor—Long Term Demand to Increase

By LEONARD J. REID,

Assistant Editor of The Economist, London

TIN has become one of the most widely used articles of commerce. It enters every department of life, including such various spheres as industry and the home, in a hundred ways. The future course of tin prices is therefore a matter of great interest. A number of factors have lately conspired to bring the subject to the fore. In the first place the price of tin has recently shown an upward tendency; and in the second place — it is believed that the two events are not entirely unrelated — it has been announced that a Metal Exchange, primarily to deal in tin, will be formed in New York.

The questions which are being discussed are: will the rise in prices continue and is there any possibility of a shortage of supplies? The price of tin is one of the least calculable of all the prices in the world of commerce, for it fluctuates widely with extraordinary rapidity. This has been especially evident since the war. Even during the past year or so the price movements have been very considerable.

Thus in March 1927 the spot price of metallic tin was \$320 per ton, but by the beginning of July of this year it had fallen to \$206. There has since been a steady recovery, the quotation at the time of writing being \$231. As for the future, the crux of the situation is whether production is likely to remain in excess of consumption or not. Dealing with the short view, there are signs that production is decreasing. It is stated that as a result of the severe fall in prices since last Spring the labour force in the Chinese mines in Malaya has already fallen off, while in the case of Bolivia exports are lower. On the other hand, production in Malaya is inclined to expand.

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The situation in the near future therefore seems to be as follows: while consumption, particularly in the United States, shows no signs of falling off, and may maintain the very noteworthy growth of recent times, the decline in prices is beginning to squeeze out the minor sources of supply. It is true, however, that the major sources are continuing to expand. Consequently the point to be determined is on which side the balance will lie. The signs, so far as they can be read, give no substantial clue. Perhaps the most that can be said is that there is some likelihood of considerable fluctuations in the near future.

Turning to the longer view, however, it is possible to be more definite. There is general agreement that unless a substitute is found for tin the demand is certain to increase, first, because of the demand for the canning industry and, secondly, because of the growth in the world's motor output. On the other hand the supply is limited and the steady exhaustion of the alluvial tin-bearing deposits in the east means that high prices must be maintained in order to stimulate the search for new deposits.

The tin-producing industry, in any case, is now passing through an interesting phase, the consequences of which may exercise an appreciable influence upon the future. In this industry, as in others, "nationalization" is fashionable, an important amalgamation having recently taken place. Just as the leading producers in Nigeria have been amalgamated, on the initiative of the Anglo-Oriental group, with the Associated Tin Mines of Nigeria, so an amalgamation of Malayan producers has been organized by the Anglo-Oriental group through the London Malayan Tin Trust, to acquire holdings in 16 producing companies.

The rise of the Anglo-Oriental group is clearly a factor to be reckoned with. It has begun by taking into its fold other producing companies operating in the same fields—first in Nigeria, now in Malaya. It has bought an important smelter in Liverpool, which smelts its Nigerian output and gives it a hold on the Bolivian output, because Nigerian ore is required to flux with Bolivian ore in the smelting process.

It is claimed that there is thus being created a producers' combine which will be able to exercise a stabilizing effect on prices. Consumers may regard its advent with somewhat mixed feelings, since it might be feared that the combine might be concerned to manipulate the market to the buyers' disadvantage. No serious student of the industry, however, can deny that combination has been a long-felt need.

Discussing the most urgent needs of the industry, one authority recently stated that it would be advisable for a beginning to be made "by an amalgamation of a large producing group with some of the big smelting inter-

ests. It is conceivable that along these lines a powerful combine could be formed which would exercise a stabilizing influence upon short-term prices. More economical exploitation of old resources and prospecting for new fields could then be undertaken. By this means the chances of a tin shortage would be lessened.

"Like the rubber industry, the tin industry suffers—but to a less extent—from having large numbers of small independent producing companies. There is, however, one function that an association of producers would usefully perform if it could be got together. That is to prepare a monthly figure for real stocks to replace the present misleading returns of 'visible' supply. The publication of a regular comprehensive statement of the world stocks of tin, together with the available details of production and consumption, would itself exercise a steadying influence upon prices."

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P. L. HOWELL, Secretary.
Toronto, Ont., November 14, 1928.

Canadian Pacific Railway Company
DIVIDEND NOTICE

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held today a dividend of two and one-half per cent. on the Common Stock for the quarter ended 30th September last was declared from railway revenues and special income, payable 1st December next to Shareholders of record at three p.m. on 30th November instant.

By order of the Board,
ERNEST ALEXANDER, Secretary.
Montreal, 13th November, 1928.

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NOTICE OF DIVIDEND NO. 18

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend of 25c United States Currency per share has been declared, and that the same will be payable on or after the 30th day of November, 1928, in respect to the shares specified in any Bearer Share Warrants of the Company upon presentation and delivery of coupons No. 18 at the following banks:

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By Order of the Board,
J. R. CLARKE, Secretary.
56 Church Street, Toronto 2, Canada,
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By order of the Board,
KIRKLAND SECURITIES, LIMITED,
Secretary.
Dated at Kirkland Lake, Ontario,
November 15, 1928.

Healthy Progress
Sherwin-Williams Report
Shows Good Earnings Increase and Strong Position

THE financial statement of The Sherwin-Williams Company of Canada, Limited, presented at the annual meeting of the shareholders on November 15, shows gross earnings for the year ending August 31, 1928, of \$1,000,197.22 compared with \$831,904.29 in the preceding year. After the deduction of \$140,638.37 in respect of depreciation, \$14,786.90 for pensions, and after providing \$71,900.00 for income tax, net earnings remained amounting to \$772,871.95. Preferred dividends amounting to \$240,625.00 were paid leaving net earnings on the Common Stock of \$532,246.95 or 13.3 per cent. as compared with \$353,587.74 or 8.84 per cent. in the previous year. Common dividends were paid amounting to \$240,000.00 leaving a balance for the year of \$292,246.95 carried to Surplus Account which now stands at \$4,313,065.58. Current Assets of \$5,836,987.86 and Current Liabilities of \$1,723,410.85 leave a net working Capital of \$4,113,577.01.

During the year under review the Company acquired a controlling interest in The Winnipeg Paint & Glass Company, Limited, and this new connection provides a valuable addition to the distributing facilities for the Company's products in Western Canada.

The statement discloses a healthy growth of the Company's business in all its products, while the production and marketing of lacquer for manufacturing, automobiles and household use has placed the Company in a prominent position in this branch of the industry in Canada. The results of the year in fact are in keeping with the Company's history of successful achievement and encourage an optimistic outlook for the advancement of its prosperity in the future.

The following Directors were elected to the Board: W. H. Cottingham, W. S. Fallis, W. J. White, K.C., George A. Martin, W. Sherwin Cottingham, W. C. Cottingham, D. A. Whittaker, F. A. Scott. At a subsequent meeting of the Directors W. H. Cottingham was re-appointed Chairman, W. S. Fallis President & Managing Director, D. A. Whittaker, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer.

Nation-Wide Survey
Canadian Chamber of Commerce Undertakes Important Contribution to Economic Progress

WHAT will prove a national contribution to Canadian economic progress is the Community Industrial Reconnaissance which the Canadian Chamber of Commerce has just undertaken throughout more than 600 towns and cities of the Dominion. The questionnaire which has been prepared and dispatched to boards of trade and chambers of commerce across Canada involves a community analysis of the industrial expansion of Canada, along non-statistical lines indicating (a) where and why development had taken place; (b) special opportunities for expansion in particular sections; (c) the economic trend of industry; and (d) the funds spent on publicity and promotional work and with what results.

It is felt that a public record of this nature setting forth a resume of the joint experience of municipalities across Canada will assist local Boards and Chambers in their efforts to foster intelligently and effectively pure industrial and agricultural development. Often it has been found that energy is wasted, emphasis wrongly laid and funds ill-advisedly spent, due to a limited perspective or incomplete knowledge of the reasons, for instance, of the localization of industry. The efforts of each community, important as they are, represent only a segment of the circle of industrial activity going on throughout the provinces and because the whole is greater than the part, an industrial panorama should offer useful and suggestive instruction.

Investment Bankers Enter Western Field

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Earnings Reach \$3.30 on Common—Expansion Reported

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Can. Car & Foundry
Earnings Lower But Outlook
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FOR the year ended Sept. 30 the financial statement of the Canadian Car and Foundry Company, Limited, reveals a slight decline in earnings, due to the small amount of cars placed by the Canadian railroads during that period. Since the end of the fiscal year, however, the company has been in receipt of very substantial orders from both roads.

Profits for the year under review amounted to \$1,215,995, as compared with \$1,332,887 in the preceding year, and \$714,825 in the year ended Sept. 20, 1926. Interest earned during the year amounted to \$29,620, making a total of \$1,245,615. Deduction of depreciation, at \$402,000, and interest, \$305,287, left net profits at \$538,328, as against \$618,455 in the preceding year. Payment of preferred dividends, at \$525,000, left a balance for the year of \$13,328, while previous surplus brought forward was \$2,283,664, leaving a profit and loss balance in the current report of \$2,296,992.

The working capital position is shown slightly lower, excess of current assets over current liabilities standing at \$3,775,895, as against \$3,982,202 in the preceding report. Reduction in the company's bonded indebtedness during the year by about \$250,000 explains this decrease.

N.S. Terminals

Bond Issue of \$1,700,000 is
Offered to Public

OFFERING is being made by Drury & Co. and Hanson Bros., Inc., of an issue of \$1,700,000 first mortgage 6 per cent. sinking fund gold bonds of Nova Scotia Public Cold Storage Terminals, Ltd., at a price of \$100 and interest, to yield six per cent. Each \$1,000 bond carries a bonus of 2½ shares of common stock. Fractional shares of common will be adjusted at \$20 a share.

Nova Scotia Public Cold Storage Terminals, Limited, is erecting at Halifax, N. S., a modern fireproof public coldstorage plant and terminal, together with a public fish handling, freezing and processing plant. The contractors have undertaken to complete the construction of the plant and terminals by April 30, 1929. To date over 50 per cent. of the work has been done.

A contract entered into with the Dominion Government under the terms of The Cold Storage Act provides for the payment to the company of a cash subsidy, payable in annual installments over a period of four years after completion, amounting to 30 per cent. of the cost of constructing and equipping the terminals. The company's buildings, plant, equipment, lease, etc., on completion of construction, in accordance with plans and specifications, will be valued at \$3,100,000, which plus working capital, estimated at \$200,000, will be equivalent to \$1,940 for each \$1,000 bond presently to be outstanding.

It is estimated that the net earnings of the company applicable to bond interest, and before reserves for depreciation and repairs, will be as follows: For the second year, \$204,780, or twice annual interest requirements, and for the third year \$403,500, or 3.95 times annual interest requirements.

New Bank Notes

England Follows Scotland's
Lead in Effort to Foil
Forgers

DETAILS of the Bank of England £1. and 10s. notes, now being printed in millions for early circulation, are being preserved as close secrets. It is known, however, they have been designed to make forgery almost impossible. In this the Bank of England has followed the example of the Scottish banks whose notes, especially designed with complicated patterns and "security tints," have long been the despair of forgers.

The average Scottish bank note—when it is clean enough to be seen and appreciated—is usually a masterpiece of the designer's art and a guide to heraldry and Scottish scenery as well. The combined effect, indeed, is like an illuminated address. Here is the Art Gallery provided by the National Bank of Scotland on their £1. notes:—Illustrations of Princes Street, Holyrood Palace, Edinburgh Castle, Shipping on the Clyde, a portrait of a former governor of the Bank, the Marquis of Lothian, two coats of arms, complicated scrollwork design in several colours, a couple of signatures, and some miscellaneous information.

Finally, there is background consisting of myriads of miniature "one pounds" totalling some thousands on each note.

It has been said that this thousand-fold repetition of "one pound" is meant to remind Scotsmen of the value of the note! But its real purpose is to baffle the forger, who has successfully imitated other one pound notes. Despite the fact that they are such works of art, Scottish bank notes are so unfamiliar south of the border, that they receive an uncertain welcome. Although banks accept them, subject to a discount of a penny or so, almost the only other places where they are accepted at their face value are the big stores and the northern termini, whence they can easily be sent back to their native land.

**Walker Split-Up
Postponed**

(Continued from page 31)

source of additional revenue for the company.

"Some reports from an unofficial source have recently appeared in the press concerning a proposal to effect a split in the shares of the company. In view of the fact that only two and a half months of the present fiscal year have elapsed, this subject has not been discussed by the board of directors, and is one that would in the ordinary course come before the board for consideration only at the end of a fiscal year. It is not possible at this time to make any pronouncement as to what action the directors may then take.

"At the last dividend meeting a bonus of twenty-five cents per share was added to the quarterly dividend of fifty cents per share. It is now proposed to put the stock on a regular basis of seventy-five cents a quarter, making the yearly rate three dollars per share.

"Our shareholders will no doubt be gratified to learn that the outlook for the current fiscal year is very bright, and although only a little more than two months have elapsed, it can be stated that the earnings are entirely up to expectations and show a substantial increase over the same period last year."

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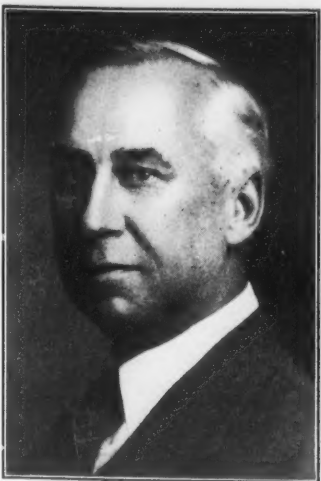
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dustrial circles, is a past president of
the Canadian Manufacturers' Associa-
tion and was Industrial Commissioner
for Canada at the British Empire Ex-
hibition, London, England.

No Building Boom Construction Record for Year Due to Healthy Expansion

THE figures on construction as com-
piled by MacLean Building Reports,
Ltd. show that there has been one
fifth more work started in Canada this
year than in the same period of 1927.
Where five dollars were spent in 1927,
six dollars have been spent this year.
There is no boom. No one wants such
a condition. Present activity is caused
by the natural demands of a healthily
growing country for proper buildings,
facilities and utilities. Construction
will continue at present and higher
levels for years to come.

During October the majority of con-
struction was in the Residential classi-
fication, 27.2 per cent. of the estimat-
ed value of new work is shown here,
the total being \$12,122,300. Public
Works and Utilities were awarded to
the extent of \$11,869,400 or 26.6 per
cent. Business Buildings took care of
24.3 per cent. or \$10,846,200 and Indus-
trial undertakings \$9,747,000 or 21.9
per cent.

Most new work for the past month
was started in Ontario where con-
tracts were placed to the value of \$19,-
870,500 or 44.6 per cent. of all Cana-
dian construction. In Quebec \$16,630,-
200 worth was started, being 37.3 per
cent. The Prairie Provinces account-
ed for 8.1 per cent. or \$36,245,000,
while British Columbia shows \$2,765,-
800, being 6.2 per cent. and the Mari-
time Provinces \$1,693,900 or 3.8 per
cent.

Canadian construction for this year
now exceeds that for the entire year
of 1927 by 1.2 per cent. By classifica-
tions for the first ten months of this
year Business Buildings lead, having
accounted for 35.8 per cent. of all con-
struction, the total being \$151,632,500.
Residential work continues at a good
level, having accounted for \$121,884,-
200 or 28.7 per cent. Public Works
and Utilities show \$93,124,100 or 22
per cent. and Industrial 13.5 per cent.
or \$57,448,400.

For the year to date \$167,239,500 is
the estimated value of construction
contracts actually started in the Prov-
ince of Ontario. This is 39.4 per cent.
of all construction. 31.3 per cent. has
been started in Quebec, the estimated
value being \$132,754,100. In the
Prairie Provinces \$57,250,900 has been
started, being 13.5 per cent. The
Maritime Provinces show 8.2 per cent.
valued at \$34,860,700 and British
Columbia 7.6 per cent. or \$31,984,000.

Laura Secord Earnings of \$4.28 on Common Reported for Year

Laura Secord CANDY SHOPS,
Limited, annual statement for the
year ending Sept. 30, shows net profits
for the year, after all expenses of
management, and after making ample
provision for bonus, depreciation and
income tax, to be \$246,438, or \$206,438
after deducting a reserve of \$40,000
for "equalization of costs". Preferred
dividends of \$49,397 left \$157,041 as
the actual earnings applicable to the
36,710 shares of no-par value common
stock, or about \$4.28 a share. The sur-
plus at the beginning of the year was
\$124,158, and the surplus brought for-
ward into the current year amounts
to \$281,198. This is according to the
expectations of those who hope for a
dividend on common soon.

The current assets of the company,
including the company's holdings of
Government and municipal securities
and its investment in the associated
company shown "at cost and accrued
dividend," amount in all to \$716,628,
as compared with current liabilities of
\$48,346. The cash on hand and in
banks alone amounts to \$77,120 and
the inventories to \$89,743. The fixed
assets, after depreciation, are shown
at \$540,900. Goodwill is marked down
to \$1, and the total assets are shown
at \$1,274,009.

Famous Players Profits Up

Increase of \$315,190 Shown for Year—Full Benefits of Capital Reorganization Not Yet Secured

THE annual report of the Famous
Players Canadian Corporation, Ltd.,
for the fiscal year ended Aug. 25, 1928,
shows that the profit from operations
before providing for interest on bonds,
proportion of deferred charges and de-
preciation, amounted to \$1,507,067,
compared with \$1,191,877 for the year
ended Aug. 27, 1927, a gain of \$315,-
190. After providing for interest on
bonds and mortgages, \$250,446; pro-
portion of deferred charges, \$87,398;
depreciation, \$301,632; income tax,
\$73,466, the net profit amounted to
\$794,124, compared with \$649,002 for
the previous fiscal year, an increase of
\$145,121. The surplus account, after
providing for all charges, including
the regular dividends on the first and
second preference stock up to the time
of its redemption, the first day of
May, 1928, now stands at \$986,150, com-
pared with \$583,345 carried forward
from last year, an increase of
\$402,805.

On March 29, 1928, the shareholders
of the company at a special meeting
approved of a plan whereby it was
proposed to redeem all of the then out-
standing first and second preference
shares and the then outstanding 6½
per cent. 20-year first and general
mortgage sinking fund bonds, and to
exchange the then outstanding com-
mon shares for shares without nomi-
nal or par value in the ratio of one
for four. Subsequently, application was
made to the Secretary of State for
supplementary letters patent giving
effect to the above, and upon these be-
ing issued steps were immediately
taken, and subsequently carried out,
redeeming the first and second prefer-
ence shares and 6½ per cent. first and
general mortgage sinking fund bonds.
To secure the necessary funds to give
effect to the above, the directors

authorized an issue of \$10,000,000 20-
year 6 per cent. first mortgage gold
bonds and \$3,000,000 20-year 6½ per
cent. gold debentures, of which \$5,000,-
000 and \$3,000,000, respectively, were
sold and issued as of April 1, 1928. As
a result of the new financing, the fixed
charges by way of interest on the
new issues are substantially less than
the dividends and interest on the old
issues now retired, and in addition ap-
proximately \$1,000,000 of new working
capital was made available to the
company.

The company did not receive full
benefit from the new financing during
the period under review, which, had it
been the case, would have further
materially enhanced its earnings.

The number of theatres now being
operated by the company, or by com-
panies with which it is affiliated, totals
146, compared with 126 at the close of
the 1927 fiscal period, and the direc-
tors are now completing plans for the
erection of additional theatres, of large
seating capacities, in the cities of
Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, Quebec
and other important centres.

Earnings Up

International Milling Co. In- creases Working Capital —Reduces Funded Debt

THE report of International Milling
Co. and its subsidiary companies
for the year ended Aug. 31 shows
that net income and working capital
have increased substantially during
the year, while the funded indebted-
ness has been reduced. Taken as a
whole, the report indicates a strong
financial position and the achievement
of new records during the year.

Net income after taxes and bond in-

terest was \$1,565,140, as compared
with \$1,098,682 in 1927, an increase of
\$466,458. Profit and loss surplus was
\$4,887,828, against \$3,810,170 at the
same time last year, an increase of
\$1,077,658. Working capital has
grown from \$4,178,066 in 1927 to \$4,-
653,161 in 1928.

The balance sheet also indicates
that outstanding bonds have been re-
duced from \$467,000 in 1927 to \$431,-
500 in 1928. Depreciation and main-
tenance reserves have increased from
\$949,835 to \$1,217,762, the accumula-
tion having been made since 1922.
Total reserves, including the above,
now amount to \$1,479,534. This year
the balance sheet shows the invest-
ment of \$382,456 in Lake and Rail
Warehouse and Elevator Corporation.

The statement will be received with
satisfaction by Canadian holders of
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TORONTO STAR	795,340
Toronto Mail and Empire	758,957
Montreal La Patrie	734,645
Calgary Albertan	632,676
Halifax Chronicle and Star	555,126
Ottawa Journal	523,262
Ottawa Citizen	519,567
Winnipeg Free Press, Evening Bulletin	517,844
Hamilton Herald	489,257
Vancouver Province	387,124
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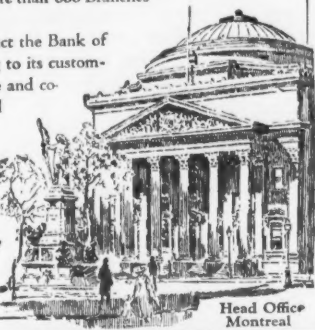
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Dominion Oil

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A syndicate composed of Pringle, Holmes & Co., John Stark & Co., W. R. McCoo & Co., announces the oversubscription of an issue of 30,000 shares, no par value, of the Dominion Oil Company, Limited. The company has an authorized capital of 100,000 shares, of which 30,274 have been issued.

Dominion Oil carries on a wholesale and retail distribution of gasoline, oils and greases, operating 118 service stations in Ontario. The company has shown a remarkable growth, and sales of gasoline have increased during May over April by 52 per cent.; in June over May by 17 per cent.; in July over June by 33 per cent., and in August over July by 22 per cent.

The total increase of August over April amounted to 300 per cent.

One of the principal assets of the company is a 10-year contract with the Havoline Oil Company of Canada carrying the sole right to distribute and sell the latter company's product in the entire Province of Ontario.

Intl. Paints

Offering of Preferred Made
by Williams, Partridge
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A PUBLIC offering of 28,000 shares of 7 1/2 per cent. Cumulative Preferred Stock of International Paints (Canada) Limited is being made by Williams, Partridge & Rapley, Limited. The stock, which has a par value of \$30 a share, is being offered at a price of \$33.50 and accrued dividends, with a bonus of 2 1/2 shares of no par Class "A" Common Stock with each 10 shares of Preferred.

International Paints (Canada) Limited has acquired a company of the same name formed in 1924, together with all the issued shares of The Holland Varnish Company. The company is one of a group of International Companies, the parent of which is International Paint & Compositions Company, Ltd., of London, England. The group is one of the largest manufacturers and distributors of marine paints in the world. Last year it supplied about one-third of the world's requirements of ship and bottom paints, and large quantities of paints for industrial and domestic use. Plans are now being prepared to enlarge the present plant of The Holland Varnish Company Limited, which the increasing volume of business makes necessary for additional facilities.

According to the prospectus issued in connection with the offering, average net income for the past two years of the companies to be merged, after giving effect to the present financing but before providing for depreciation and Federal Taxes, was \$119,472.87, or about twice the Preferred dividend requirements. The elimination of many items of expense and increased efficiency of the company made possible by the consolidation should result in a substantial increase in net earnings. The profits for this year show a decided improvement.

The company will have no funded debt or other securities senior to the preferred stock, and, upon completion of present financing, outstanding capital will consist of 28,000 shares of 7 1/2 per cent. cumulative Preferred Stock (\$30 par); 20,860 shares of Class "A" Common Stock, no par; and 7,140 Class "B" Common Shares, no par.



P. D. SAYLOR
President and Chairman of Canada Dry Ginger Ale, Inc. and Chairman of the Board of Canada Dry Ginger Ale, Limited, who has made a gift of a new library building to his native town of Wellington, Ontario. The building, named the Annie Dorland Saylor Library, in honor of Mr. Saylor's mother, is expected to provide a community centre for the town and will be administered by a Board consisting of representatives of each of the churches in the town, together with the Reeve and the president of the Women's Institute. In addition to the reputation which he has acquired in the business world as a corporation executive, Mr. Saylor is well-known in Canada for his service both during the war, overseas, and later as director of sales for Canadian war stores. At the present time, in addition to being the head of Canada Dry, he is also a director of Crosse and Blackwell, Incorporated.



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